

# Mansfield STC

## Student Council Approves 1956 Election Calendar

### Elections Begin on February 2 When Student Body Chooses New Student Council Officers

The 1956 Election Calendar was approved by the Student Council at its January 16 meeting. The elections will begin with Student Council elections on February 2 and will continue through March, ending with the election of the May Queen and Court. In these elections, the Student Body will choose the officers which will serve in the 1956-57 school year.

Several candidates for the various Student Council offices have already filed petitions in the Dean of Instruction's Office. The records of these candidates will be posted. The Presidential candidates presented their respective views on Student Government in today's assembly.

Also at the January 16 meeting, the Student Council appointed Roger Woltz Point System Chairman for the ensuing elections. A certain number of extra class points is assigned to each office (10 for the Student Government Presidency, 8 for FLASHLIGHT Editorship, etc.). No student is permitted to exceed 10 of these points in any one school year. Mr. Woltz's job will be to record and file the number of points acquired by each student, seeing that no one exceeds the limit.

It was disclosed at the Council meeting that the Cheating Committee's report to the faculty, scheduled for this month, was postponed until February 13. The committee will present the problem and its suggestions for the alleviation of it to the entire faculty at that time.

During the March 9-10 conference of the Associated Student Governments of the Pennsylvania State Teachers Colleges, which will be revised. The Council appointed Roger Woltz to serve on the Constitution Revision Committee. It was also decided that the Vice President's of the Men's and Women's Dormitory Councils and one of the Presidents-Elect of the Day Students Club plus the out-going President of the Student Council would serve as M.S.T.C.'s delegation to the conference.

### SO YOU LIKE TO WRITE?

Calling all Hemingways, Shakespeares and Frosts! Open your ink bottles, uncup your pens, burn the night oils and get to work. At least you're going to have an opportunity to see your work in print.

The April issue of the Flashlight is going to feature an extra dividend—a "literary section." As the plans stand now, poems, short stories, essays and any other creative writings by Mansfield students will be considered for publication. The FLASHLIGHT'S Editorial Board will judge the submitted compositions by a list of qualifications, to be set up at a later date. Further developments and standards will be covered in future issues of this paper, so follow the FLASHLIGHT for additional details.

How great a success this new project proves to be is up to you. Wonder how many budding writers and poets are hidden behind the walls of M.S.T.C.? Hand me a pen and paper—I have a stupendous idea for a story.

## Leap Year Officially Welcomed at MSTC

Leap Year was officially welcomed at M.S.T.C. today. The women living in North Hall expressed their idea of Leap Year by having a dance in the dining room from 5:45 to 7:45.

A few of the customs were changed for this one evening. The girls called for the men in South Hall or place of residence and presented them with corsages made of vegetables, straw, or candy. The girls then took their dates to the dining room for dinner. While waiting for dinner, many of the couples danced to the music played and arranged by the Downbeats, an all girl combo. After dinner the tables were cleared and multiplication dances and other novelty numbers were held. Judges circulated throughout the evening, in search of funniest and also of the most original corsages.

After the dance the girls escorted their dates to Straughn Hall to see a movie, and afterwards to the Hut for refreshments.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Little on the birth of their first son.

### Goals Being Reached, S.C. President Stilwell Tells Student Body

In his second letter of the year to the Student Body, Merle Stilwell, Student Council President, points out that much has been accomplished in the First Semester. He says that most of the goals set up at the Council Retreat last September have been reached and that other projects are under way.

#### Fellow Students,

As our first semester draws toward its close, I welcome this opportunity. Editor Paul Reed has given me to say a few things in point to the student body. I'd like to take a little space on the Flashlight sheet to look back over the things that student government has been concerned with in the last few months, and to look forward to what appear to be the highlights in the future.

One of the things that stands out highest in my mind is the fact that many of the objectives discussed by the combined councils at our September Retreat have been reached or are being pursued. This seems to be healthy in contrast to the often seen "discussion of problems," then the subsequent failure to follow up. I think the answer lies in the fact that the student body has done an excellent job of picking their group leaders. Student council committees have been enthusiastic, faithful, and determined to do a good job. Council meetings, often long and tiring, have been well attended. Better yet, the meetings have become a truly fine example of team work despite differences, also I'd like to give in writing my special praise to those who have served the school as leaders and participants on all sorts of committees. Too often we sit back and enjoy the results of these people's work without so much as a word of thank you being given them.

Another of our past activities that of the election procedure change, is being put into operation at this time. The student body's approval of the amendment brought the school what I hope will be a real improvement. The Student Council Special Committee on the cheating situation through its efforts will make our college one of which we can be even more proud than before.

As to the months ahead in our second semester, the standout occasion has to be our approaching M.S.T.C. led Teachers Conference of March 8th, 9th, and 10th. Very competent

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# The FLASHLIGHT

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## Orchestra Gives 2nd Concert of Season

Review By Bud Fravel

On Sunday the Mansfield Community Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Carmine Ficocelli presented the second concert of the 1955-56 season.

These concerts give the students and members of the community an opportunity to hear and enjoy the works of the great composers.



Community Orchestra rehearses for the big night, it gave its second annual concert last Sunday evening to an appreciative audience in Straughn Hall.

They also give the member of the orchestra an opportunity to perform and become familiar with a wide variety of music.

"Prelude and Fugue in D minor" by George Frederick Handel. This composition, originally written for harpsichord, has been transcribed for orchestra by Hans Kindler.

"Concerto No. 1 in C minor for Piano and Orchestra" by Beethoven. Featured in this composition were Judith Smith, Helen Chumard, and Majorie Rex, each playing one movement of the concerto.

"Triumphal March" from "Sigurd Josolfar" by Grieg. Edward Grieg was represented in the program by one of his lesser known works which depicts the song-loving hoards of Norman, who joyously salute Sigurd the Crusader with crashing shields.

"Ave Verum Corpus" by Mozart. Mr. Ficocelli selected this number for the concert in conjunction with the world-wide commemoration of Mozart's 200th birthday which January 25. This selection was performed by the string section alone.

"Melodie" from "Orpheus" by Gluck. Miss Janice Austin was featured on the flute in this composition which is one of the most beautiful melodies written by Gluck.

"Marguerite Waltz" from "Faust" by Gounod. The Marguerite Waltz is a very gay, festive song from the opera Faust which was the first opera to be performed in the Metropolitan Opera House in New York.

"Pavanne" by Morton Gould. A pavanne is a very dignified 16th century dance. Morton Gould made this the second movement of his "American Symphonette," and in so doing put it in a slightly more modern dress. Features of this selection were Louis Lantz on solo trumpet and the use of a full saxophone section.

"The Great Gate of Kiev" from the suite "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Moussorgsky. This was the most dramatic selection offered by the orchestra.

"Pictures at an Exhibition" was a result of an exhibition of paintings by Moussorgsky's friend, Victor Hartmann. The various selections are the tonal representations of these paintings as seen through the eyes of the composer. "The Great Gate of Kiev" was among these paintings. Moussorgsky used this as the climax for his suite. This composition made a fitting climax to the orchestra's performance and brought to an end an evening of great music.

The orchestra, a group of music loving people, turned in a fine performance with the assistance of the college students under the talented direction of Mr. Ficocelli.

The next appearance of the orchestra will be an assembly program on February 7. At this time other soloists will be highlighted in a program consisting of music in a lighter vein.

## Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Shares Weekend with Honored Guests

Over fifty Alumni members and guests are expected to celebrate Beta Omicron's Silver Anniversary on February 24-26.

The local chapter was founded on May 24, 1931. Since that time it has taken over 275 men into membership. This does not include the thirty active Sinfonians on campus and the eight faculty members who will be hosts to the returning Alumni.

A similar celebration was held in 1931 in keeping with the chapter's Tenth Anniversary. At that time Alumni members and Sinfonians from eight other chapters were invited to the celebration. Activities then were similar to those planned for the coming event.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia is a national music fraternity for men who are making music their profession and who take an active interest in music as an avocation. The aims of this fraternity are to advance the cause of music in America, to foster the mutual welfare and brotherhood of students of music, to develop the truest fraternal spirit among its membership, and to encourage loyalty to the Alma Mater.

The weekend will begin on Friday

evening at 7:30 with a movie in Straughn Hall. This will be open to the public. After the picture a smoker and social gathering will be held in the Arts Building for Sinfonians and guests. On Saturday morning at 10:00 registration of Alumni will take place in Straughn Hall. A business meeting will be held at 1:30, and at 6:00 a banquet will be served in the college dining room for Sinfonians and guests.

At 8:00 Saturday evening a public concert will be given by the Concert Wind Ensemble under the direction of Bertram Francis. Featured will be the Phi Mu Alpha Chorus accompanied by the Brass Choir.

On Sunday at 12:00 p. m. the formal fraternity ritual will be performed in Straughn Hall. During the ritual, the members of Lambda Mu Sorority will entertain the wives and guests of Sinfonians. This will bring to a close the 25th Anniversary celebration.

President of the chapter, Edward Thompson appointed the following chairmen: Refreshments, J. Miller; Registration, R. Hinkleman; Banquet, W. Brocklebank; Scholarship Fund, R. Harpster; Program Printing, C. Stretansky; Smoker, B. Gifford; Ritual, E. Thompson, B. Vannauker; and G. Yearick; and Publicity, K. Partchey.

## Crime and 'Dope' — Corrupters of Youth

As Reported By Bob Denning

Mr. Edward Radin, a student of criminology and a noted reporter-detective, delivered a talk that shocked but enlightened those present in assembly on January 17.

Mr. Radin's talk was directed at three areas: Juvenile Delinquency, Syndicated Crime, and Narcotics and Addiction.

To introduce the topic "Juvenile Delinquency," Mr. Radin stated that 30 to 40% of all criminals are under twenty-one years of age.

Three plausible reasons were mentioned by Mr. Radin for the existence of juvenile delinquency: (1) The times in which we live are not conducive to security and healthy adjustments. (2) Children are maturing earlier. (3) A lawless era was created in the late '20's and early '30's.

Is there syndicated crime in the United States? Mr. Radin answered his own question by saying that there is a hierarchy of crime in the U. S. This so-called syndicated crime thrives on gambling. Mr. Radin mentioned the race track as an area in which the syndicate participates. He traced a small two-dollar bet through various channels until it eventually reached one of the three big clearing houses of the syndicate: New York, Chicago, or Los Angeles.

The third area about which Mr. Radin spoke was narcotics. He said this topic primarily was responsible for his visit to M.S.T.C. because he could bring the shocking facts before an audience of prospective teachers, who are in an advantageous position to educate the youth of America against narcotics.

The reason for the pushing of narcotics is, of course, the profit. To illustrate this fact, Mr. Radin pointed out that one kilo, or 2.2 pounds, of heroin selling at \$2500 can be adulterated and made into one million capsules selling at \$3.00 per capsule. With a profit like this the flow of narcotics into this country will not be easy to stop. We as educators must be equal to the task which confronts us.



The girls took the fellows to this dance in the college Dining Room. If you look closely you can see some corsages (worn by the guys, of course).



## THEY'RE OFF

The race is on, and it won't be long until somebody crosses the finish line. Who will it be? That depends on you.

It's leap year again, a year in which the boy-chases-girl situation is reversed, a year in which we elect or re-elect a United States President, and a year, like all other years in which M.S. T. C. elects a new Student Council.

On election day last year I approached an individual and asked "Have you voted?" "No," was the reply, "and I don't intend to. This is just kid stuff. These elections are only popularity contests anyway."

Kid stuff, indeed! It would take a kid to think up that one. Any adult 18 or 81, recognizes the importance of any election, be it for Dog Catcher or U. S. President. The right to vote is a sacred tenet of democracy. As for the bit about popularity contests, if our elections are such it is partly because of persons like this whose anarchy, whose self-styled superiority, make them so. Then, too, it is because of the bandwagon riders who are easily influenced, who are too tired to think for themselves. And, of course, there are those who vote for a face, a smile, a pat on the back.

This is not a May Day Court we are electing. It is OUR Student Council. It is our governing body. It is our direct intercessor, the mediator between us and our college administration.

It is only wise that we forget all personal differences and consider the qualifications of each candidate objectively. Is he experienced; is his record good; is he intelligent; is he ambitious; is he conscientious; will he serve our cause? These questions and more should be settled in your mind before you vote.

We are taught to live together in a society of free men. The most exalted privilege of free men is the freedom of thought and the morally controlled expression thereof. The man who refuses to exercise his freedom of thought will not long possess it.

If you must ride the bandwagon, be sure it's a vehicle of truth and not a carriage of rumor. Beware the man who speaks through clenched teeth; he is only hiding a split tongue.

## SAFETY FIRST

Disaster has struck Mansfield several times in the past few years. The nature of this disaster—the death of college students by car and flame.

We have heard and read endless paragraphs on safety but have we really listened and absorbed? It is only when disaster strikes close to us that we realize the importance of safe driving and observance of safety and fire laws. Before driving home for vacation review the rules of safe driving and observe them.

Mansfield's athletes are dubbed the "Mountaineers". That name alone proves that entrance into Mansfield is obtained by winding, hilly highways. Bear that in mind and drive accordingly.

In the future let's abolish the number of phantom classmates that march up with us to receive diplomas on graduation day. The world is crying for the aid of good teachers. Help yourself and your country by living a safe life. Avoid risks and remember, the life you save may be your own.

M. Cotter

## IN MEMORIAM

Every September a new group of very eager and friendly individuals enter Mansfield. Most of them complete their education here and after four years receive their degrees. There are however a few students whose stay here is limited to a semester or two. Although they are here only a short while they are not easily forgotten.

In September, 1953 the freshman class numbered close to two hundred. One of those freshmen was Joe Walsh, a very likeable fellow from Scranton. He played football for the one semester he was here. He majored in secondary education and was a member of the Newman Club.

On December 17th Joe was involved in a fatal automobile accident. To those who knew Joe Walsh this was arresting news. He will be much missed by his family and friends. M.S.T.C. offers sympathy to those near and dear to one of our former students.

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## FORUM

This space is reserved for letters to the Editor. All letters should be addressed to: The Editor, FLASHLIGHT, State Teachers College, Mansfield, Pa. Letters must be signed, but signatures will be withheld upon request. The Editor reserves the right to condense and comment upon all letters.

To the Editor:

The student report on cheating was very interesting, and I hope some real progress is made by it. As to how rampant cheating is, any estimate would be only a guess. However, we do know that it is done with too much respectability.

It seems that the student who can secure a copy of the test before exam time is something of a hero. He does not hide it for the shame of his sin; O no! He tells all his friends of the shameful thing, and they flock around him like he were a returning conquistador.

That in itself is bad enough, but this is beyond my feeble comprehension. A student who readily responds in class is a "brown-nose." What is a "brown-nose"? He may be one of those rare fellows with a spring in his arm and a cavity in his head, but more often he is "a poor misguided soul laboring under the impression that college is a place to learn and to share ideas."

Few of us there are who have not at some time picked a tantalizing apple and, perhaps, offered it to the teacher. But it seems to me a sad state of affairs when systematic cheating is considered proper by the same persons who dub an enthusiastic student a "brown-nose".

If this is the material which shall soon be filling the teacher's chair, it is no shock to hear that tax payers cannot raise salaries until the teacher raises his standards.

Donald L. Roe  
SecondaryEditor's Comment:  
Bravo! and Amen.JUNIOR  
EDITORIAL

The following editorial was written by a little girl who is a third grader in our campus elementary school. These are her views on life. Her essay is original and unabridged. What is the quotation? — "Out of the mouths of babes..." It is too bad that adults so often forget the sincerity and sentiments of their youth.

## GOD'S WONDERFUL WORLD

Life has a purpose. The purpose of the world is to live in peace and be as good as we can. You have heard the verse, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men". If we want to be good we should never fight with our neighbors. We should always be good citizens.

We should not steal or lie. God will always guide us through life. When your mother tells you to go down town or on an errand, you should always go because she gets you a lot of things and washes your clothes and washes the dishes after every meal and she does a lot of other things and she works very hard to have a good home for you. When you ask your mother for ten cents for an ice cream cone she always said maybe, but you know you always get that ice cream cone. If we didn't have schools and teachers we would never learn anything. We have books to read from and workbooks to work from.

When we grow up we will always have a career. Some people will paint, some will be doctors and nurses. Some will help the blind; and some will help the deaf. But we will all have a career. God will choose the career that is best for us. If we do something bad, God will punish us. God has made a good world for us to live in, so let's all be good and enjoy life.

## SIGMA ZETA

## SPONSORS ASSEMBLY

The assembly program, today was under the auspices of the science society, Sigma Zeta. Devotions were conducted by Ruth Vulcanus. Following remarks by President Morgan, the speaker was introduced by Eugene Watkins. The speaker was a representative of the Eberle Tanning Company. He presented a talk and showed movies on the manufacture of leather and leather products.

## Printing PRESS

Hi there!

Another year, another January—but wait! This is a different year, an unusual January. It's Leap Year. Eh, girls? The feminine motto this year is: "Now or Never". So fellows—beware!

I trust that each of you had a pleasant vacation, Christmas and gifts, New Years' Eve and parties, and "Love and Marriage". And apparently several couples took the latter combination to heart! Jerry Kinch and Diana Sheard repeated their marriage vows on December 27. But they were not the only couple that took the "big step". Jane English became the lawfully wedded wife of Larnham Wetherbee.

And speaking of combinations, the first one I listed was Christmas and gifts. What girl could ask for more than a diamond from her own special Santa Claus?

Here are nine couples who are officially engaged: Carolyn Gregory and Bob Swinsick, June Maines and Carl House, Ann Dickinson and Cecil Hoxie, Ruth Parisella and Bill Palmer, Ellen Judson and Jim Cook (a Penn State Sophomore), Janet Bidlack and Dick Clink, Phyllis Storton and Bennett Young, Sonja Houck and Chet Swimely (a student in Temple's graduate school), and Shirley Schreffler and Carl Crosby.



With the printing of this issue, we are losing a few familiar faces. Max Moore and Gene Sanguiliano receive discharges, and Jerry Kinch is going PCS to West Chester S. T. C. Hurry back fellows.

Since Congress is not in session, there isn't any vet legislation to report this month. However, I did find one item of interest to all of us: American Legion National Commander J. Addington Wagner addressed a letter to the White House Conference on Education urging it to avoid the issue of Federal financial support for public schools. Wagner said that schools should be improved, but that the states and local municipalities should accept this problem as their own. I disagree with him; what do you think about the problem?

Girls! If any of you venture to read

We certainly extend to you our congratulations.

And then there is the matter of "Frat Pins". We've noted that the following couples are pinned: Eleanor Miller (an alumna) and Paul Reed, Joan Davis and Sid Williams, Peggy Mirocke and Bill Dewey, Joannette Albee and Jack Edgar (a student at Lycoming College), Marlene Borck and Foster Wetmore an engineering student at Penn State), Donna Schlegel and Julian Gotlieb, and Margie Noll and Bob Denning.

Nice going, kids, and may you have smooth sailing ahead.

Then there are a few who went "sailing"—but not intentionally. Have you noticed these individuals and their crutches? Beverly Whitmyer, "Pink" Raidy, and Dick Worters have our heartfelt sympathy.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Leech (the former Carol Higley) and to their new baby boy.

Well, this little chat with you has been short and sweet, but "It's Almost Tomorrow," and semester exams are calling. So—bidding you a fond adieu and a pleasant semester vacation, I'll end this epistle with a Leap Year's tip to the girls.

By the way, I heard this from Jackie Gross and Nancy Morehouse. "A lady is a woman who makes it easy for a man to be a gentleman."

Eye!

this mess, here is the chance of your life! Snaky-snake, Got too John Muto, our own bouncing boy from Carbon-dale, informed me that he is still unattached and would be glad to give any of you a break. If you're interested, get to him fast; he's running out of appointment time.

Attention Vets under Public Law 894! The Veterans Adviser, Mr. Gurrin, will be here for a conference with you, January 24 at 1:00 p. m.

Mr. Jupenlaz would like all of us to sign our Janury vouchers between January 23 and 25. Make it a point to sign yours then.

Don, Jules, and "almost married" Bill Palmer made a terrific showing the other night against Lock Haven. Don and Bill did a good job on the boards while Jules scored ten needed points.

Welcome back Quint!



Now that the college year is well under way, you have undoubtedly discovered that there are certain fundamental differences between the two sexes, just as in grade school you found that there were certain characteristics which distinguish birds from bees—for everyone knows that a Wild-Wing-Tailed Oriole wouldn't give a snap of his wings for a Yellow Jacket. Usually the male, in the human animal, sweeps the female off her feet and lumbers down the road to a little cottage built for two where they appease, applaud, abhor, or attempt the assassination of each other for the rest of their lives. However sometimes the male, navigating between the pool table and T.V. set, does not arrive at the appointed time. In this case, every four years, the female doffs her demure demeanor and dons her bow and quiver in preparation for the chase.

How this Leap Year phenomenon came about brings forth another nauseating little tale which will not only sicken but also make you fair game for the nearest predatory huntress.

Once upon a time there lived in a building on a high hill a princely sort of a fellow. Now, in any day and age a prince is represented as an Appollo-type creation possessing all the virtues and characteristics which when accumulated is calculated to drive most young damsels out of their hoop-skirts or Bermuda shorts and send them babbling down the street toward the nearest beauty shop.

Our prince, regrettably, was not one of the ordinary. He was not very tall, only five feet, and, unfortunately, not strong and straight of limb as most

princes, but rather bow-legged with his body listing to one side as if his one ear were extremely larger than the other—which, incidentally, it was.

The young ladies, laying siege below the tower, after intensive study applied to "supply and demand" economics, graciously decided to disregard these minor failings and award him an evening's entertainment if and when he condescended to step forth.

"Just let him show his face once," said one sweet, young thing, "and wham!"

But, our little prince, very much aware of the furor below, conceitedly remained safely behind the tower's massive door. After three years of waiting, one extremely over impatient young lady threw her knitting to the winds and announced that she would storm the tower and fly away with her lover. The girls admitted that Frederica might have a chance in capturing the tower, considering her three hundred pounds, but were a little more skeptical about her getting off the ground.

The first assault on the tower was made by ladder. Frederica, always throwing herself into any enterprise wholeheartedly, threw in her body this time and, consequently, ended up on end staring at the broken rungs. But, our stout-hearted Frederica would not become discouraged. Lifting her chins higher to support her upper lip, she resolved to try again.

The next sortie was made by block and tackle. Pulled by her exhausted little help-mates, Frederica was raised higher and higher until she reached

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Hi, there Sport Fans—

This issue we'd like to devote some space to the little publicized intramural league under the directorship of M. E. "Spotts" Decker.

**Intramurals**  
"It's a K. O. in the third quarter.!!" —"first and ten on the mid-court stripe" —"Shoot two You're clipping!!!"

You guessed it, the boy's intramural season has opened here at M.S.T.C. Eight teams are enrolled in this year's program with plenty of fine ball players dotting all squads. Since these games are not usually witnessed by too large a crowd, most of the players go unrecognized for their basketball ability. Many of the fellows could probably make the College J. V.'s and some the varsity, but they would rather participate in the intramural league.

The strength of some of these intramural teams can be testified to by the close games they give the College J. V.'s and the defeats they've handed the J.V.'s in past years.

The best way to cover the league is by mentioning each team and saying a few words about the players.

#### Mousekateers:

The Mousekateers are made up of a group of day students with plenty of basketball experience behind them. Four of the squad personnel were members of the 1954-55 Mansfield High School squad. They are: Rog Lloyd and Edgar Page (Co-Captains), Jim Hufnagel (one of the leading scorers in the Roosevelt Trail League) and Dick Nares. A fifth member of the squad is Jim Merriitt from Troy. Jim was a high scoring forward for last year's Troy High squad. Ron Wilkenson and Frank Matkov round out the squad. The Mousekateers have plenty of shooting ability but are lacking in height.

#### The Sports:

The Sports are captained by Jim Jackson, who played his high school ball at Wyalusing High. This is the largest squad in the league consisting of eleven players. Ed Babcock from Shinglehouse High, Al Eno, Mel "Wrencher" Woodward, Bill Stevens, Hurst Mitten, Chuck Heller, Charles Lugg, Parel Mitchell, Bill "Mr. Vibes" Loftus, and Bill Barto round out the remainder of the team. Lacking experience, the Sports could cause trouble on a "hot-night".

#### Blackhawks:

Beware—this team possesses the everdeadly Nick "Hooks" Smeltzer. A true All-American (marble-champ), Nick has the habit of harassing the opposition with his tremendous deception (self-deception). Watch out for this boy. He's going places (home for semesters). Co-Captains of this squad are the Homer and Jethro of MSTC Clark "Neanderthal" Hall and Cloyd "Cattle Call" Price. Rounding out the squad are Bob Swinsick former Mansfield High cager, Scott Donaldson of Bloss High; Gary "Where's my girl's picture" Cruttenden and last, but not least, George "Potty" Smith.

#### Fightin' Irish:

This squad is captained by that smiling Irishman from the Boot, Francis "Pizza Pie" Pecaitis. Terry Nallen, our capable sports photographer, Fred Ross; Lee Bennett; Fred Arnold; Gary Robinson and Bob Pawlak give "Spuds" his threatening squad.

## Sportsometer

By Warner Houth

#### Vets:

Perhaps one of the tallest and most rugged teams in the league is the Vets. The Vets are paced by such men as John Muto, former Carbondale High flash in his "Hay-Day"; Bill Farrell, coach of the Mansfield High J. V.'s; Football Co-Captain, John Zimmerman; John Rudy, "Skip" Fiocca, Len Yusko, George Baron and Charlie Berzansky. All members of the squad have served Uncle Sam.

#### Phi Sig:

This squad is composed of members of the Phi Sigma Pi fraternity and showed its power by losing to the J. V.'s by only three points. Pacing the squad are three of the leagues top scoring threats, Merle Stilwell, Bob Keenan, and Ben "Mountain Dew" Watkins, former Elkland High Star. The playmakers of the squad are Tom "I'm beginning to see the light" Allis, and Gene "Sabu" Watkins. Bob "Wha-zoo" Leslie, Charlie Powers, and Bob Denning give the squad plenty of rebound strength. (P.S.—I coach 'em.)

#### The Unknowns:

The Unknowns have a well-rounded club and should be a top contender for intramural honors. Captain of this squad is "Easy" Jack Edgerton, former Mansfield High ace. The team has plenty of scoring and rebound ability in Merle Maxon; Fred Brace of Bradford High; Cantonites Pete Tunning and Babe Campbell and "Mr. Hardwood" himself, "Jiggers-Friar Tuck-Fish Kid" McHale. Don "Tiger" Johnson, Howie Beach and Carlos round out the squad.

#### Navy Blue Boys:

Jack Thomas Captains the Navy Blue Boys, who also have a large squad—ten men. Pat "Irish" McGraw, another Holy Rosary grad; Harry Watkins and Jim Weaver lead the squad with plenty of help from Paul McCabe, Dave May, Tom Ayers, Niles, McKee and Sunderland.

There you have the intramural squads of 1956. Plenty of action should feature the season with a close race promised.

My prediction for the top four:

1. Phi Sig—Unknowns (tie)
2. Mousekateers
3. Navy Blue Boys

Closing for now—see you next semester.



Front row, left to right: Ginny Van Dyke, Peggy Reed, Micky Cotter, Carolyn Downer, Ninita Stilwell, Barbara Jones. Back row: Ruth Parsella, Joanne Warner, Peggy Mirocke, Joannette Albee, Jeanette Secundo, Mary Brandon.

## School Spirit Here? "Yes", Say Cheerleaders

By now you have all probably been to at least one home basketball game and have seen the new uniforms that the cheerleaders are proudly showing off. In case you haven't seen them, they're black corduroy trimmed with red, princess style with full skirts and three-quarter length sleeves.

You hear a lot about school spirit, or rather, lack of it at M.S.T.C. It makes the cheerleaders angry to hear anyone say M.S.T.C. has no school spirit, because we do. We think the response and support are terrific. We have an idea, however, that might make it even better. At the games, usually all the kids spread out all over the gym. We were thinking of the possibility of a male cheering section. If there were even a few guys sitting together and really cheering we could make plenty of noise. How about it? How about you Jay Vees?

## Williams, Witowski Co - Captain '56 Team

Don Williams, who hails from Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, was born February 1933, to William and Mary Williams. He resides at 310 E. Main Street in Nanticoke and graduated from Nanticoke High School.



MOUNTS IN ACTION

Link looks on as Witowski prepares to jump in one of the Mounts opening games.

## Mounts Win Teachers College Opener

Behind a strong first half, in which they got better than 50% from the field, the Mounts managed to stave off a second half rally by the Bald Eagles of Lock Haven and go on to win, 69-65.

Everyone on the Mountaineer squad caught fire in the last 8 minutes of the second half. Gottlieb showed the way pouring in 4 for 4 from the field, as the second string revealed their offensive strength.

Leading 46-28 at halftime, the Mounts played a shaky second half and were outscored 41-23.

Eleven players entered the scoring column with Linkoski, Williams, and Gottlieb leading the way with 19, 14, and 10 respectively. Yelovich paced Lock Haven with 23.

This was the Mounts first State Teachers College Conference with against no losses. They're 2 and 4 on the season.

Half time score: Mansfield 46, Lock Haven 28.

#### Box Score

#### MANSFIELD

	Flg	Fg	Ft	T
Williams, f	6	2	8	14
Lee, f	1	1	2	3
Linkoski, c	6	7	11	19
Hvizdak, g	1	0	1	2
Witowski, g	3	3	4	9
Peterson	1	0	1	2
Gottlieb	5	0	0	10
Murphy	1	0	0	2
Witchert	1	0	3	2
Palmer	2	0	1	4
Siracuse	1	0	0	2

#### Totals

28 13 26 69

#### LOCK HAVEN

Dintiman, f	1	2	2	4
Terrette, f	4	0	1	8
M'rtyn'ka, c	4	8	6	14
Albright, g	2	1	4	5
Yelovich, g	6	11	12	23
Meachar	1	0	0	2
Kemp	0	0	1	0
Smith	5	2	2	12

#### Totals

23 19 28 65

## Green Room Jottings

College Players, assisted by the honorary dramatics fraternity Alpha Psi Omega, has soared high with accomplishments in the year nineteen fifty five. Exciting new plans are "on the fire" for the coming year.

With the completion and success of "The Curious Savage" came a donation of \$150 to the Student Union Fund. Christmas brought an assembly program which was presented by Alpha Psi Omega. The age old question, "How Come Christmas," was asked. Players' finale for fifty-five was the annual Christmas party with the exchange of gifts, refreshments, and song.

Now the new year plans have begun by the action of a reading com-

While there he earned five letters in football, basketball, and baseball. They played such teams as Swoyersville and the Wilkes-Barre teams. during his senior year, the football team hung up a record of 8-1-1. Don made the All-Scholastic, All-State, and the All-Star football teams that year. The basketball team took the league championship as they established a record of 22-6. They lost, however, to Swoyersville in the District playoffs. Don also made the All-Scholastic and All-Star basketball teams during his senior year.

Now, Don, a 6'2", 185 lb senior, is working for a major in Social Studies and a minor in Biological Science. Thus far he has earned an average of 1.85. He has also earned letters in football, basketball, and baseball so far (six in all). He is a member of the "M" Club. Don is a good ball handler and is termed "our wizard of the court".

When asked for a comment he answered, "I believe the team has the spirit to win but we had a late start in practice. Other schools start before we do and therefore have an advantage. I think that we will win some of our remaining games."

"Next year, Mansfield should have a much better team. They will have a more experienced team. Any coach would be glad to have Joe Wilt, Link, and Don Lee to build a team from."

Don would like to coach basketball in the future.

Don is one of the co-captains of this year's edition of the MSTC basketball team. The other co-captain is Joe Witowski. Joe was born December 7, 1935 to Joseph and Mary Witowski of 802 Spruce Street in Kulpmont and graduated from Kulpmont High School.

During his senior year, he made All-State, All-County, and All-Star basketball teams. He also made All-County football team. He earned (in all) eleven letters in football, basketball track, and baseball. In 1951, the football team rang up an undefeated season with a record of 11-0. In the same year the basketball team took first place in the Keystone League with a record of 18-3. Kulpmont played such teams as Shamokin, Mt. Carmel, Coal Township, Ashland, and Bloomsburg.

Joe is now a junior here at MSTC and is majoring in Social Studies and minoring in Biological Science and Driver Training. He has earned a scholastic average of 1.9. He is a member of Sigma Zeta and the "M" Club. Joe, 6'2½", 202 lb., has already earned six letters in MSTC's three intercollegiate sports.

Joe also commented on the team, "Because of recent showings the team is more determined to win to avenge these losses. Our chances are good for next year as we only lose two men through graduation. Don Williams and Julian Gottlieb."

Optimistic spirit was shown by Joe as he said, "Hurry up, I gotta get to bed." No breaking the training rules for Joe.

mittie to choose the March play. Alpha Psi is forecasting a command performance, in the near future, of a play written by one of its members. The main highlight of the year is the spring banquet which is being looked forward to by every member.

Players will be open for new members who wish to try out in the near future.

## CAN YOU IMAGINE . . . . .

Hal Hackett as a ballet dancer?  
Lou Weegar with a tail?  
M.S.T.C. students getting up at 5 a. m.  
Bobby Grudler as a cannibal?  
Miss Billings and Miss Jackson flying a rocket ship to Mars?

#### HOW ABOUT . . . . .

Jack Edgerton as President of Vassar?  
Jane Ramsey collecting embalmed bed-bugs  
Joe Kilheeny playing the piano?  
Arlene Kohn, Marilyn Simmonds, Barb Joes and Peg Gavin manufacturing bathtubs for midgets?

#### OR . . . . .

Bob Benson in the army?  
The Ludgate and Francis twins being Siamese?  
Al Eno and Joe Witowski in Bermuda

We're proud of this year's squad and we've worked hard. We'd like to know what you think of our idea so let us know.

#### shorts?

#### MAYBE . . . . .

Dr. Schappelle as a mad scientist?  
Jo Bowman and Ted Wichert NOT together?  
M.S.T.C. with no steps and hills?  
Steve Popovich as Julius Caesar?  
Cele Sullivan sitting on top of the flagpole?

## Mounts Rout Huskies 2nd P.S.T.C.C. Game

Behind fine teamwork and continuous hustle, the Mounts turned back the Bloomsburg Huskies, 65-58 last Saturday night on the home court.

The game, though haphazardly played in parts, was one of the most exciting played this year.

The Mounts were outscored from the field, 23-19, but managed to pour in 27 of 44 free throws for their second Penna. State Teachers College Conference victory against no defeats.

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## COLLEGE ADDS. . . .

#### DEPRIEST—Assistant Librarian

E. Raleigh DePriest was recently appointed assistant librarian at the college. He received his Master's Degree in Library Science from George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., and he has done graduate work at the University of Michigan. He was a former librarian at Detroit Institute of Technology, Detroit, Michigan.

#### THOMAS—Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds

Mr. Marvin F. Thomas was recently appointed Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds at the college. He succeeded Morgan Scranton who resigned in September, 1955. He was a special duty employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad and, also, a former dairy farmer.

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## KAPPA DELTA PI

January 12—

The highlight of the meeting of the Beta Rho Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi was a discussion by faculty representatives on the issue, "Why Come Home to Teach?" Miss Kuster, Miss Louise Smith, and Mr. Evans accentuated the advantages and answered questions submitted by the members of the organization. Miss Dorothy Kness was in charge of the program.

## Goals Being Reached

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committees led by a core of student leaders have been actively at work for some time now preparing for a conference in the spotlight. I'm sure that the fine spirit, the friendliness of our student body and our school will catch the eye of the visiting leaders. May I urge all of the student body to do your part if at any time you're called upon by the conference planning committee.

As we enter into our second semester, new elections will be taking place. A large part of your school life for next year will be determined when you do your organization voting. I can only hope that the new Student Council President will be given as fine a council to work with as I have had this year.

Sincerely,  
Merel Stilwell

P. S. Those baseball games at Smythe Park really aren't too long a walk from school. See you there.

## Under Glass

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the room of the prince. The prince, a little annoyed over the idea of being courted by a lady using a block and tackle instead of the conventional ladder, refused to make like a bird and fly to her love nest. Frederica in her rage threw him to the ground and began stomping all over him. This constant pounding on the prince's cranium weakened the building causing it to collapse upon our heroine and her reluctant lover.

And, as the story goes—All Hail to Thee brave, little Frederica Hillstitch and Thy courageous attempt. Henceforth, all young ladies will enjoy the privilege of throwing their weight around every four years.

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## RELIGION IN THE NEWS

Cyril Stretansky, president of the Newman Club, has announced that at the next scheduled meeting of the Newman Club there will be a representative from the middle Provincial Government of Newman Clubs. The representative is Mr. Matthew Miller from Pennsylvania State University.

The Student Christian Association cabinet recently met in order to plan for February's programs. The Cabinet decided to begin a series of talks dealing with "The Cultural Heritage of Christianity". The first topic will be "The Church Organ". On Thursday, February 9, there will be a Valentine's Day Social in Room 201 of the Arts Building, and on February 16th there will be a meeting dealing with the theme—"Patriotism and Communism".

## KAPPA PHI

Each of the meetings of Kappa Phi for the year is being centered around the theme, "Sing a New Song".

We have a new patroness, Mrs. Leslie Evans, who is taking the place of Mrs. Myron Webster who resigned her position.

On November 14, eleven girls were pledged and given the "Degree of the Pine", and on December 12, the "Degree of the Light" was given.

One of the projects undertaken by the club this year is the Nursery School at the Methodist Church. Barbara Mix and Joyce Wilkins are chairmen for this project.

## DAY STUDENTS' CLUB

Nominations for Day Students' Club officers for the 1956-57 school year will be made at a special meeting of all day students after the college assembly on Tuesday, February 7. The preliminary elections will be held on Thursday of that week, with run-off elections the following day.

The painting of the Day Students' Room has now been completed. It is hoped that those day students who have not already done so will feel free to stop in at the room, take a look at its brighter appearance, and take advantage of its facilities for study and relaxation.

The Day Students' Club is sending a letter of appreciation to Mr. Stahlman and his assistants for their job of painting the Day Students' Room.

Philip Taylor is the new senior male representative on the Day Student Executive Board. He was elected at a recent meeting of the board to fill this position formerly held by Robert Terry.

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## ART CLUB

Once again the Art Club is sponsoring an interesting weekend on campus. Featured this year will be the Valentine Hop on Saturday, February 11, from 8 to 10:30 p. m. in the college gym. Music will be by the Paragons.

Working hard to make this one of the most beautiful dances of the season are co-chairmen, Ruth Parisella and Robert Petroski assisted by a large committee.

Everyone should plan to keep this date open and bring your best Valentine for a wonderful evening of dancing.

## KAPPA OMICRON PHI

The annual Founder's Day Banquet of Kappa Omicron Phi was held December 10th at the Baptist Church. Shirley Wentzel, president, presided. Carol singing was led by Wanda Smith '55. Comments on activities were made by the alumni who were present.

Kappa Omicron Phi blazers were made available to members.

The monthly business meeting was held Wednesday, January 18th. Mr. Leon Lunn gave a short talk on organization of social work.

A party will be held by the chapter in February for a few of the Tioga County Welfare children.

## PHI SIGMA PI PLANS

The Phi Sigma Pi fraternity recently met to plan future events. It was decided the fraternity would enter a basketball team in intramural competition. Warner Houth was elected managing captain of the team. Future plans for the inter-fraternity dance to be held in the Mark Twain Hotel in Elmira were discussed. The resignation of Ted Angradi as president was accepted with regret. Ted has resigned to take a position with the North-east Bradford Schools.

## OMICRON GAMMA PI

Omicron Gamma Pi will feature the International Fair February 18th. Various countries will be represented by food, clothing and other interesting articles. The French Cafe will present a pleasurable atmosphere for dining and dancing. This will be a wonderful opportunity to see many unusual displays from neighboring countries of the world.

For a limited time Student Directories may be purchased from Mary Clause or Janet Mamary.

## GEOGRAPHY CLUB NEWS

The Geography Club is planning a social gathering for its February meeting. There will be a talk on our Western States accompanied by colored slides. Plans are underway to invite the wives and girl friends of the members. Refreshments will be served.

Members of Gamma Theta Upsilon, the newly formed geography fraternity, have received their shingels. They intend to order pins in the near future.

We wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Barnitz and the members of the Art Club for their gracious help with the decorations at Christmas time.

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# Welcome Delegates To M. S. T. C.

## "New Frontiers" is Theme of Govt. Conference at M.S.T.C.

### 80 Delegates from 13 Other Penna. Teachers Colleges to Arrive Here March 8 and 9

By Margie Noll

Into any event goes much planning, and for several months a committee has been preparing Mansfield to be host to the Student Government Association of the Pennsylvania State Teachers Colleges. The conference will take place March 8, 9, and 10.

From the thirteen Pennsylvania State Teachers Colleges about eighty delegates will convene on our campus for the eighteenth annual conference. Faculty and student delegates will be our guests on campus, and as Miss Jackson has said, "It is up to the students of our college to act as they would at home, should they be hosts or hostesses." We want these delegates to feel completely welcome during their visit, and it is up to each individual to do his part.

On Thursday evening, March 8, a committee will meet to revise the Constitution of the Association. Each school will be represented by one student and one faculty member on this committee.

Friday morning the conference itself will begin with a general assembly in which President James G. Morgan will welcome the delegates.

The general theme of the conference is "New Frontiers", and to give the keynote address Dr. Esther Lloyd-Jones has been secured. Dr. Lloyd-Jones is a prominent American educator, who is Professor of Education and Director of Guidance at the Teachers College, Columbia University. She is a holder of many degrees and a member of many organizations, among which are the American Association of Applied Psychologists, the



Dr. Lloyd-Jones

National Association of Deans of Women, and the American Council on Education. Dr. Lloyd-Jones is a board member of Phi Beta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi. This distinguished author has done much traveling, and during the war she was Expert Consultant to the Secretary of War and the personal representative of Colonel Hobby in the Second Corps Area to pick the first group of candidates for the W.A. A.C.

Panel discussions will fill the remainder of the morning and the early afternoon. The topics for

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## Committee Studies Conference Plans



Left to Right: Tom Allis, Geraldine Grish, Ann Sullivan, Paul Reed, Robert Swinsick, Margaret Noll, Joan Davis, Shirley Sandrock.

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## M. S. T. C. Is Host to Inter-Collegiate Band

By Marlene Borck

All colleges in the state of Pennsylvania that have a band are invited to send applications for membership in the Collegiate Festival Band which is to be held here March 15, 16, 17.

## NEW EXECUTIVES - WHAT ARE THEY THINKING?



Tom Allis

Barbara Press

Robert Denning

## Allis to Head 56-7 Council; Denning, Press Will Edit Publications

### ALLIS ELECTED CHIEF OF STUDENT COUNCIL, FIOCCA, STILWELL, DAVIS OTHER OFFICERS

During the recent elections of the Student Government Association, P. Thomas Allis was elected President of the Student Council. At the present time, he is serving as Vice-president of the organization. The other newly elected officers of the Student Council are: Duane Fiocca, a sophomore elementary student from Dushore, Pa., Vice-president; Ninita Stilwell, a freshman elementary student from Mansfield, Pa., Secretary; Carol Davis, a sophomore music student from Nelson, Pa., who is serving as Secretary of the organization this year, Treasurer.

Tom, as he is known on campus, was born in Mansfield on April 10, 1935. He lived in Mansfield with his parents until his father received a teaching position in Campbell, N. Y., and the family moved to Campbell where Tom graduated from high school in 1953. In high school he was President of his class in his freshman, sophomore, and junior years and Vice-president in his senior year. At the college he is majoring in general science and math with a minor in chemistry. He is a member of Sigma Zeta, Phi Sigma Pi, College Players, and he was Treasurer of his class in his freshman and sophomore years. After graduation from Mansfield, Tom plans to continue his educational training.

Concerning his plans for the forth-

coming year as President, Tom says that he hopes to handle situations to the best of his ability. He stresses the need of help and encouragement from the members of the Student Council and the student body. He says that it is going to be hard to replace the spot vacated by out-going President, Merle Stilwell.

### Barbara Press To Head Carontawan

Barbara Press was recently elected Editor of the Carontawan for 1956 and 1957. "Barb", a sophomore here at M.S.T.C., is a math and English major in the secondary field.

She served as Editor-in-chief of her high school yearbook, THE GLEANER, in her senior year at Shinglehouse, Pennsylvania and Editor of the school paper, THE GREEN QUILL, in her junior year. She was also the Senior Class President.

Barb's interests at Mansfield are wide and varied. She served as Secretary of the freshman class, Composite Editor of the CARONTAWAN, Corresponding Secretary of S.C.A., and Kappa Phi during her sophomore year. She is also an active member of the Art Club, Girls' Chorus, Sigma Zeta, THE FLASHLIGHT, and W.A.A. Barb plans to attend Pennsylvania State University after her graduation and continue in the journalism field. THE FLASHLIGHT wishes success to her next year and in the future.

### Denning-Cotter-Fravel To Edit 1956-57 Flashlight

As May approaches, Flashlight editor Paul Reed is gathering the reins of the paper together in preparation for a change of hands. One of the present assistant editors, Bob Deming has been elected to the editorship for the coming 1956-57 season. Micky Cotter and William Fravel have been chosen as his assistants.

Bob comes to Mansfield from Long Island, New York and is residing here with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Best, he is a member of the secondary curriculum—working toward a major in English and minors in social studies and driver training. Bob is one of the outstanding students on campus, being active in a variety of organizations including Kappa Delta Pi, Phi Sigma Pi and College Players, in which he has portrayed several roles.

Micky, representative of the elementary department, comes here from Susquehanna, Pa. She is an active member of Flashlight, A.C.E.I., W.A.A., Art Club, College Players, and Newman Club. Also those who attend sports events, will see her cheering

the team to victory. This past fall, she appeared in the Player's production of the Curious Savage. Mickey intends to teach the primary grades after graduation.

The other assistant editor, Bud Fravel, is from South Waverly, Pa. Before attending M.S.T.C., Bud spent four years as a musician in the Navy. Until this year he was a member of our music department, but this, his junior year, he has transferred to the secondary field. He has been very active as a reporter on the Flashlight staff and a member of Phi Mu Alpha. Bob, Mickey, Bud, Bob Swinsick and Margie Noll will go to New York City in March as delegates from Flashlight to the Columbia Scholastic Press conference. While there, they will attend meetings at Columbia University where the Flashlight will be evaluated.

The staff wishes them the best of luck for the future.

## Conference Program

**THURSDAY**  
4:00 p. m. REGISTRATION, Reception Room  
6:00 p. m. DINNER, Dining Room  
7:30 p. m. MEETING OF CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION COMMITTEE, Science Building  
**FRIDAY**  
7:00 a. m. BREAKFAST, Dining Room  
8:30 a. m. REGISTRATION, Reception Room  
9:00 a. m. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, Straughn Auditorium  
9:30 a. m. KEYNOTE ADDRESS, "New Frontiers in Campus Living", Dr. Esther Lloyd-Jones  
10:30 a. m. PANEL DISCUSSION Groups: "How can the Day students Be Better Integrated into the College Program?" 215, Arts Bldg.; "Can and Should There Be a new Viewpoint in College Initiations?" 201, Arts Bldg.; "Can the Dining Room Promote and Stimulate Values to Students?" 208, Arts Bldg.  
12:30 p. m. LUNCH, Dining Room  
2:00 p. m. PANEL DISCUSSION GROUPS: "How Can Improved Communication's between students and Their Council Stimulate Interest in Student Government?" 208, Arts Bldg.; "How Can the Problem of Cheating be Controlled?" 201, Arts Bldg.  
3:00 p. m. PRESIDENT AND MRS. JAMES G. MORGAN AT HOME to delegates and faculty advisers  
6:30 p. m. BANQUET, College Dining Room, Address, "Building Bridges of Building Walls," Pres. James G. Morgan  
8:00 p. m. ENTERTAINMENT, in Straughn Auditorium

## Attention All Writers!

The FLASHLIGHT will publish a special literary section to supplement the regular April issue of the newspaper. This is your opportunity to see your work in print, and to learn how your writing compares with that of other college students. If you are interested in submitting an article, simply follow these directions:

- (1) Any creative writing (poem, essay, short story, descriptive theme, etc.) is eligible.
- (2) Send your entry to: The Editor, FLASHLIGHT, State Teachers College, Mansfield, Pa. All entries must be in the editor's hands before March 24, 1954. All entries will be read by the Editorial Board of the FLASHLIGHT. Those which are most unusual, the best expressed, and the best developed will be selected for publication.
- (3) Entries must not exceed 1,000 words.
- (4) Entries must be typewritten and double spaced
- (5) Number of words must be placed in the upper right hand corner of page 1.
- (6) All pages must be in order and stapled together in upper left hand corner.
- (7) Entries must be signed in ink.

9:30-11:30 p. m. DANCE, College Gymnasium  
**SATURDAY**  
7:00 a. m. BREAKFAST, College Dining Room  
9:00 a. m. GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND BUSINESS MEETING, in Straughn Auditorium  
Adjournment





## COUNCIL CHOOSES STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

December—Robert Swinsick

When the Student Council, each month, faces the task of picking an outstanding student, they are confronted with many worthy possibilities. Their work was cut out for them, when they sat down to select the December Student-of-the-month but their choice was a wise one. Robert Swinsick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Swinsick, of Mansfield. A June 1953 graduate of Mansfield High School, he entered Mansfield in September of that year.

Bob started building his school record early in his Freshman year, when he participated in the class talent show and became its President. From there he went on to don make-up for numerous College Players pro-



Robert Swinsick

ductions, while his art ability was utilized by the Players and a variety of other organizations. As a member of Phi Mu Alpha, Bob participates in the activities of the musical groups, but his abilities are by no means restricted to the Arts. He has filled the position of manager for the Flashlight and recently was elected President of his class for the 1956-57 school year.

Since Bob has not yet completed his four years at M.S.T.C., even greater contributions will be added to his already impressive list.

January—Shirley Sandrock

Chosen as January's outstanding student, Shirley J. Sandrock from West Pittston is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sandrock.

"Sandy" as most of her friends call her, is a junior in the secondary field, majoring in Mathematics and English. A good student, she has been on the Dean's List several semesters.

Shirley has held several offices on campus. Last year she was Secretary of the sophomore class. At present she is serving as Treasurer of the Student Council, and she has just been elected President of the Woman's Dor-



Shirley Sandrock

mitory Council for next year.

Other organizations of which Shirley is an active member are: Art Club, W.A.A., Sigma Zeta, Kappa Delta Pi, and Kappa Phi.

Several recent activities certainly qualify her for the honor she has received. She served as chairman of the Student Council committee which investigated the cheating situation on campus. Also she is in charge of registration for the Student Government Association conference.

Among her interests are reading, sketching, and Girl Scouting. Since she has been at the college, Shirley has been an assistant leader of the Mansfield Senior Troop of Girl Scouts. This summer she will tour Europe with them for five weeks.

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Hello dear Readers:

February—the month honoring many of our great American patriots: Washington, Lincoln, Edison, St. Valentine—but, wait, Was St. Valentine an American? Well, he and his "sidekick" Cupid don't seem to confine their magical powers to any specific nationality. Those little arrows are universal. Right?

Traces of spring become evident on February 14, as a "Young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love." Call it "Spring-fever", call it "Puppy Love", call it "Infatuation", call it whatever you desire—the fact remains that at this time of year, Cupid is well occupied.

As winter is taking its exit, we find the ice and snow leaving too. No more snowball fights, no more sled riding, but instead we discover auto rides are becoming more prevalent. Eh, Gerry

As the seniors confront their new teaching assignments, we wonder:

Why does Delores Huggins make so many valentines? Why is Bill Croman called "Rocky"? What song is "Bob-

by" Grundler teaching in 7C?

Our alumni are also in the news. The cover of the *Pennsylvania School Journal* carries a picture of Dawn Peechatka, class of '53, who sang at the P.S.E.A. Convention.

I guess this "scoop" is a little late, but nevertheless the congratulations are as warm as ever when we tell Skip Fiocca and "Mike" Maloney that we extend our best wishes to them (It's a Phi Sigma Pi pin isn't it, Mike?) Jean Wildermuth and "Bucky" Price are pinned. Ginny Van Dyke and Ted Angradi also are recipients of our best wishes (And it's such a pretty pin, Ginny).

Pam Riegel and Charles Igoe are now Mr. and Mrs. Igoe. Congratulations!

Perhaps after Valentine's Day, other couples will join the ranks of the pinned; engaged, or married. I'll try to keep you posted! Remember—"We like someone because; we love someone although."

With that quotation I'll say, "So long until the March issue."

by Barbara Press



I'll start the column by congratulating my victorious opponent, "Skip"

Duane Fiocca on his election to the Vice-presidency of the Student Council for next year. Skip is a terrific guy who will be a credit to himself and the rest of the veterans on campus.

In North Hall last week I saw a notice that pertained to married vets. The bulletin stated that as of February 6 your wives would be admitted to all college activities on your enrollment cards.

The Veterans Administration regional office in Wilkes-Barre sent me four immediate release notices this month. Since most of you are already familiar with their content, I won't bother to go into detail on them. Briefly stated though, they refer to your income tax status while you are

under the bill and to your government insurance policies.

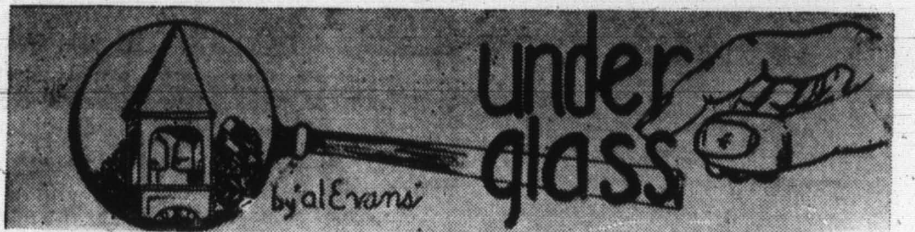
Jack Zellner plans on saving money by raising a family; he bought two white rats.

Stick close to Red Walters. Maybe he will include you in his will; he can't possibly be spending all the money he's making.

Dick Millitch, my next door neighbor, is doing a bang-up job as a member of the dorm council. He has only told me to keep the noise down once

... Ed Lauria won't be single for long; he plans on biting the dust in April. ... We have two brothers here this semester, Steve and Harry Mott. Harry transferred from Penn State, while Steve is spending the last semester of his senior year here.

Remember if you have any problems, stop in to see Mr. Jupenlaz. At ease; smoke if you got 'em.



Valentine's Day brings out couplets as well as couples .....

A Fraternity is an honor  
That many try to win.  
But after all the hardships,  
Who ends up with the pin?

There are many hideouts, too many to recall  
Where you can make a visit  
And no one minds at all.  
But then there are exceptions  
To the place where you may call,  
Where the light beam stabs the darkness  
And a voice says 'Get outa the 'Hall'.'

Roses are red, violets are blue.  
Who named "The Hut"? Did you, or you?

"Of all the words of tongue or pen  
The saddest are, I might have been"  
Along with all the Stein Hall Guard,  
If I hadn't forgotten my I.D. card.

"I got a C," the boy complained,  
"The teacher turned on the heat."  
"I got a D" another exclaimed  
"I lost my cribbing sheet."

The score is low, the tempo slow,  
The college breathes a sigh.  
A substitute or two might help.  
From where? Try Junior High.

Love is fun to all who pay  
The price romance demands,  
But some renege and run away;  
They shy at wedding bands.

## GOVERNMENT—"SAFETY FOR"

Government is not an abstraction which lies beyond the grasp and comprehension of college students. Student government associations can be found in almost every college and university.

What is Student Government? What does it do? Student government is a link between faculty and students, and it is of, for and by the students. The students comprise the personnel; the students elect by means of democratic voting their representatives in student government. Most of all, student government embodies all the theories and principles of democracy, the social, economic and political form by which we as Americans live.

After World War I, President Woodrow Wilson was quoted as saying, "Make the world safe for democracy." If we analyze his words, we see that he was employing the positive concept of "safety for" in place of the negative concept "safety from." The nations during World War I who were fighting for peace with no thought of the future were being ignorant by saying "We want safety from war." They wanted to escape from the immediate danger without any thought of escaping for future lasting peace. Wilson had the future in his mind; he advocated the League of Nations, an international effort toward peace on earth.

So it is with a student government; we must use the "safety for" concept and provide for the present student as well as the future student, and more important, the future citizens of these United States.

The Student Council, or rather the Student's Council, is your elected representative. It can only function through you. The council does not exist as a closed shop; it is a wide open shop listening for your suggestions and grievances.

You, the student, can improve the school for the present and for the future.

—Bob Denning.

## APOLOGIA

The FLASHLIGHT regrets that it is a week late in publication. Because of a lack of space the FLASHLIGHT has been unable to print the news of all the organizations in the current issue. News of the following organizations will be printed next time:

All Classes; Art Club, who gave us

a delightful Valentine Hop; Community Orchestra, who presented a couple top notch concerts last month; Day Students Club; Geography Club; Lambda Mu; Men's Dormitory; Omicron Gamma Pi; Phi Mu Alpha, who during the Silver Anniversary Weekend, sponsored the College Concert Wind Ensemble (Band) in a concert of professional quality; and the S.C.A. and Newman Club.

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## Sportsometer

By Warner Houth

Once again we greet the sports fans of M.S.T.C. with more news and views on the basketball front.

Since copy for this column is due ten days before publication, it's difficult to give up to date coverage of the sports scene here at Mansfield. Statistics, records, predictions and the like must be viewed by the reader with February 12th in mind. Bear with us and we'll try to present the sports picture as colorful as is possible under this handicap.

### Looking at the Mounts

A team with a losing record is always hard to write up, but this isn't the first time M.S.T.C. has had a losing season and probably won't be the last.

The Mounts have been a "hot" and "very cold" team from the start of the season and with just a little heat during their "very cold" sessions, M.S.T.C. could have a record married by a maximum of four losses. The team knows this, the coach knows this and we, the fans, know this. Some cry, "Not in condition", "too much offense in mind", "no team work", "no defense", "poor substitution." It might be mentioned that this "some" not only consists of student spectators, but faculty and team members as well.

Members of the Bloomsburg S.T.C. Huskies, possessors of a fine league record, rate the Mounts as "the team possessing the best potential in the State Teachers College Conference." Anyone who knows the Mounts and has seen them during a "hot streak" will go along with this statement. Four of the starting five gained All-Scholastic recognition while in high school (Don Lee for Carbondale High, Don Williams for Nanticoke, Joe Witowski for Coal Township and Joe Linkoski for Larksville.) The fifth member of the starting quintet, Paul Hvidzak, was one of the best high school ball players to appear on the gymnasium floor, as he lead St. Bernies High of Bradford, Pa. to the Class C Championship in the Mansfield Invitation Tournament of 1954. Powerhouse material—but!

Much talk is flying around campus concerning the Mounts record in conference play. For those who haven't heard, Mansfield is one of the top teams in the Conference with a 3-1 slate. However, since a minimum of eight games is needed to qualify for the championship, the Mounts are ineligible. Mansfield probably could have one of the top conference teams if they played Conference competition only.

### Intramurals "Ram" Aolng:

With a few weeks of intramural season history, no major casualties have yet to be reported. Present league leaders, both with undefeated slates, are "Phi Sig" and "The Navy Blue Boys." The big show-down comes Tuesday, February 21 in the College gymnasium. All intramural games are open to student viewing but the attendance is nil. Take my word for it, you'll see some good ball games by stopping down the gym on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Leading "Phi Sig" into a tie for 1st place was the scoring and rebounding of Bob Leslie and Bob Keenan. Also contributed heavily to the scoring column and doing some fine ball-hawking were "Bantam Ben" Watkins and Merle Stilwell. Tom Allis (from the land of cowboy boots, big brass buckles and dem' ol' blue jeans) and Gene Watkins have been doing some

good floor work, while Bob Terry, Charlie Powers and Charlie "Mr. Point" Fickinger have given Phi Sig plenty of reserve strength.

"The Navy Blue Boys" are paced by Harry Watkins, Pat McGraw and Paul McCabe in the scoring column. Harry's 28 points against the Vets is high for the season so far. Jim Weaver's tremendous board work has been the main factor in the success of this squad. Sunderlein and Nyles have also proved themselves capable ball players in the clutch. It might be mentioned that "The Navy Blue Boys" handled the College J.V.s a one-point set-back during the year. Jack Thomas does a fine job as coach of this well rounded outfit.

Following are the leading scorers for each squad as of this write-up.

Price-Blackhawks  
H. Watkins—Navy Blue  
Muto—Vets  
Page—Mouskateers  
Babcock—Sports  
M. Stilwell—Phi-Sig  
Maxson—Edgeshots  
Sandler—Fightin Irish

Time to close Sportsometer for another month. Hope to see you around March

## THE GAMES IN REVIEW

### JAN. 24

On January 24 Brockport S.T.C. handed the "Mountaineers" their 6th loss in 9 starts. Lee and Williams were high for the home team with 15 and 14 pts. respectively. High for Brockport was O'Brien as he poured in 20 pts.

Final score was 70-61 with Brockport on top.

	1st	2nd	Total
M.S.T.C.	32	29	61
B.S.T.C.	35	35	70

### FEB. 1

On February 1st Mansfield journeyed to Lock Haven and won a close tilt 70-66.

Witowski, Linkoski, and Williams were high for the "Mountaineers" as they beat Lock Haven for the 2nd time this year. This win gave M.S.T.C. a 3-0 record in P.S.T.C. Conference and 1st place. Kemp and Martynuska were high for the losers with 16 and 15 pts. respectively.

	1st	2nd	Total
M.S.T.C.	30	40	70
L.H.S.T.C.	27	39	66

### FEB. 4

Feb. 4 Wilkes College lost to the Mountaineers at M.S.T.C. 79-67. Morgan was high for Wilkes with 22 points. It was a very thrilling game right up to the gun. The neck and neck scoring had everyone on the edge of their seats. Linkoski, Williams, and Witowski were high for

## Boys' Intramural Bowling Underway

To the accompaniment of falling pins (usually), the Boys' Intramural Bowling League has been in action for several weeks now. Already some high scores have been turned in at alleys under the Student Center. At the time this article was written Bob Keenan was leading the individual scorers with a 168 average, followed by Fred Arnold at 153, and Joe Corney and John Rudy at 151 and 150 respectively.

Under Mr. Decker, Athletic Director, and Frank Palm, bowling supervisor, the league has been developed into four teams operating on a handicap basis. Since some teams have bowled more than others at this time, point scores would be irrelevant, but here is a listing of team rosters:

The strongest team seems from here



Left to Right: Mickey Cotter, Ivy Carpenter, Peggy Coperwaith, Kay Brann.

## W. A. A. Sponsors Girls Intramurals Go To It Girls

The girls' basketball tournament has been in full swing. The double elimination playoffs started February 12. The two top teams in each league battle for the championship title. Approximately 125 girls participated in this tournament. Judy Lynch and Betsy Nolcker were managers; officials were various girls in W. A. A.

Girls' bowling started February 9. There are fifteen teams with an average of eight girls to a team. There is an upperclassmen league, and freshmen are taught bowling by Mrs. Lutes on Tuesday and Thursday nights after classes. Carol Birth and Joanne Sharples are managing this tournament.

March 9 is W.A.A.'s next meeting.

## Mounts End Season With 2 Wins, 1 Loss

### HARPUR

Harpur College offered very little resistance as the Mounts rolled to an 84-51 victory at Binghamton. Don Williams and Don Lee led Mansfield's initial attack which culminated in a 13 point lead before Harpur could score a point. Mansfield's height dominated the boards and the Mountaineers defense held the opposition to 18 points for the entire first half.

### ITHACA

The Mansfield Teachers thrilled a crowd of 600 fans on Wednesday Feb. 22 as they edged past Ithaca College 77-76 in the local gym. The score changed hands at least ten times during the second half which was by far the most exciting of the season.

Don Williams and Don Lee were the leading point makers for Mansfield with 28 and 16 points respectively.

### WILKES

At Wilkes-Barre, March 3, Wilkes College clipped Mansfield 89-72, by forging ahead in the second half after the first half found it ahead by only three points.

Linkoski and Witowski, of Mansfield, were high scorers for the losers, while Wilkes prevailed with a well rounded offense in which ten men contributed to the scoring. It was the last game of the season for Mansfield.

Kozick was high for "Blooms" with 29 pts. Linkoski and Witowski were high for Mansfield with 18 and 16 pts. respectively.

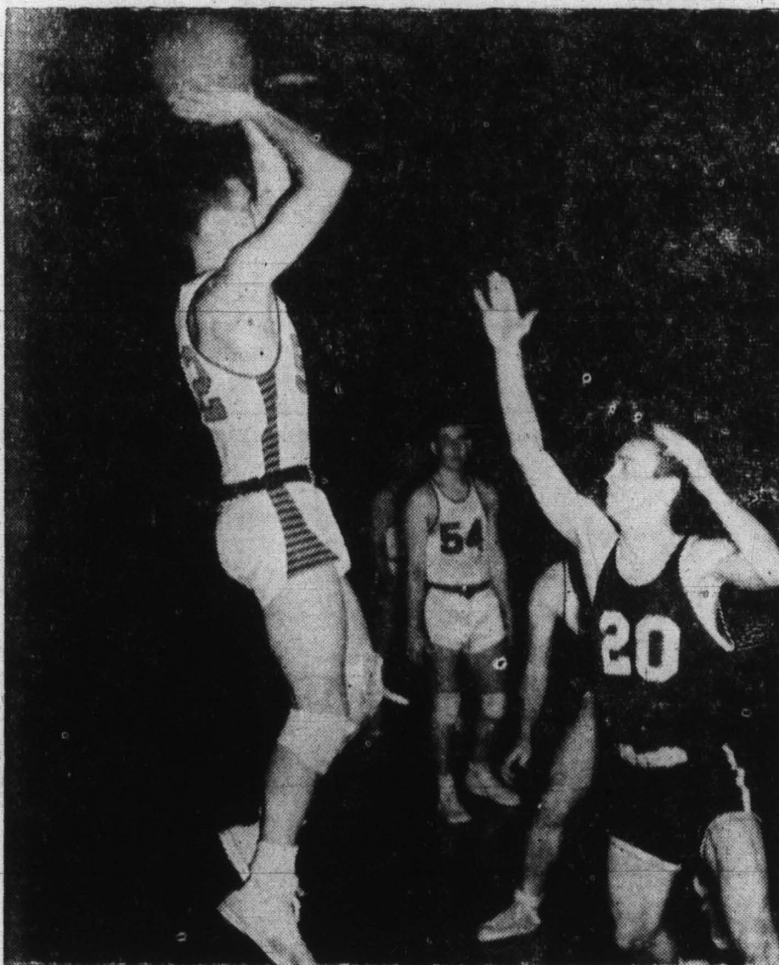
	1st	2nd	Total
M.S.T.C.	34	35	69
B.S.T.C.	45	45	90

### FEB. 15

February 15 the "Mountaineers" lost to Cortland S.T.C. at the winners site, 91-61. Dawson was high for the N. Y. State team with 17. Wichert and Williams were high for Mansfield with 14 and 10 points respectively.

	1st	2nd	Total
M.S.T.C.	30	31	61
C.S.T.C.	44	47	91

## Will He Make It?



Don Williams tries for a basket as Joe Witowski looks on in the background.

	1st	2nd	Total
M.S.T.C.	42	37	79
Wilkes	43	24	67

### FEB. 7

Feb. 7, Cortland came to town and the Mountaineers 97-84. Weiss was

high for the visitors with 22 pts. Williams and Lee were high for M.S.T.C. with 31 and 21 points respectively.

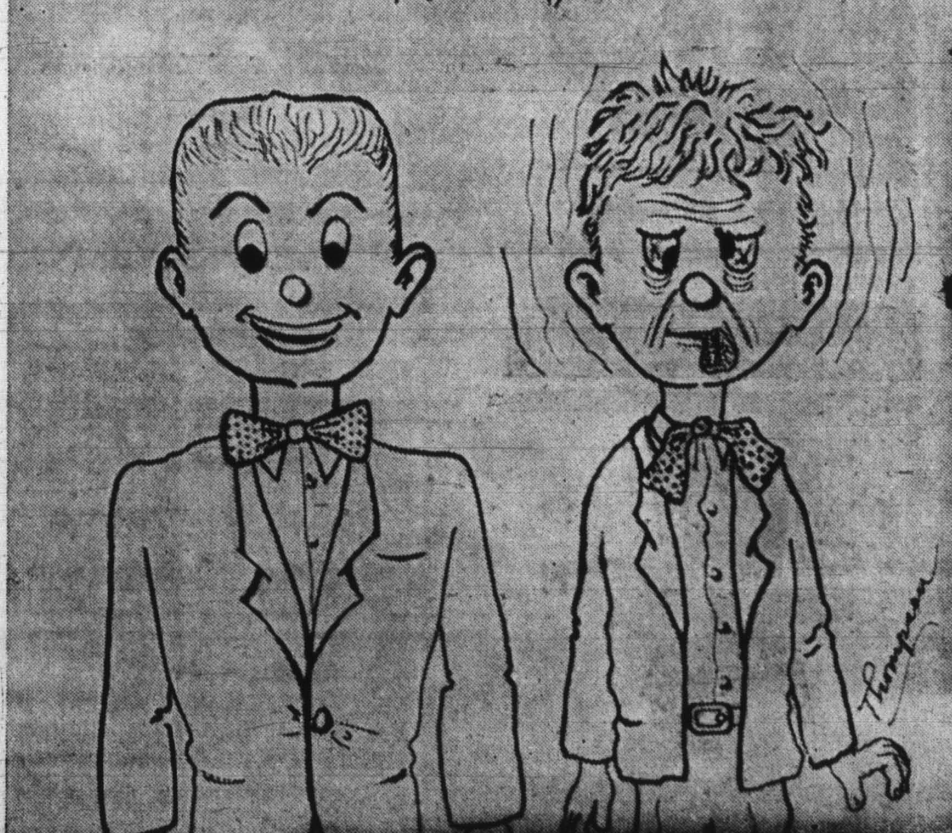
Williams scoring of 31 pts. is the highest individual scoring so far in the 1955-56 season.

	1st	2nd	Total
M.S.T.C.	42	42	84
C.S.T.C.	44	53	97

### FEB. 8

On Feb. 8, the "Mountaineers" journeyed to Bloomsburg and lost their first P.S.T.C. Conference game. This leaves the Conference record 3-1.

Which twin has psychology....



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The other club is made up of Roger Lloyd, Dick Nares, Edgar Page, Dick Schoner, Dick Sunderlin, and Buck (Blaster) White. They go by the name of the "Striker".

These teams contain mostly first semester boys, but quite a few good bowlers enrolled in January, as evidenced by Bob Madigan's 211 one afternoon in his stocking feet! The team that could pick up some of the strong bowlers could go a long way. At any rate, to the bowlers, good luck, and look out for flying pins.



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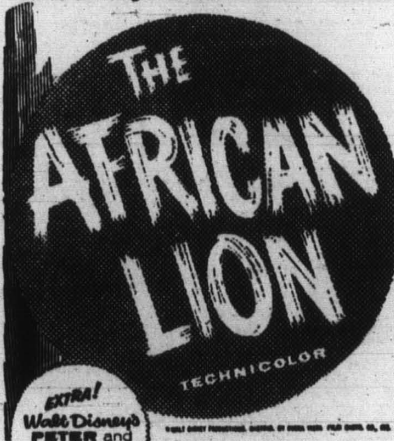
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## Activities of Campus Organizations

### KAPPA OMICRON PHI

The Kappa Omicron Phi meeting was held on February 15. The main topics of discussion were the national tests, which chapter members must take each year, and the welfare work the society is planning.

A Memorial Service was held Sunday afternoon, February 4, at the Methodist Church. This service was held in memory of the late Mrs. Downing, a member of the chapter, and Dean Manser, the former Dean of Instruction.

The chapter blazers have arrived.

### WOMEN'S DORMITORY ASSOCIATION

At the February meeting of the Women's Dormitory Association nominations were held for 1956, 1957 officers. The following have been elected:

Shirley Sandrock, President

Lenore Saxton, Ellen Judson, Virginia Hokanson, Junior Members  
 Marilyn Christ, Mary Lu Weegar, Sophomore Members.

The Women's Dormitory Association plans to purchase items for the dormitory with money obtained from their concessions. The items purchased will depend on the outcome of a vote by the girls.

### PHI SIGMA PI

Two future events are being planned by Phi Sig for the remainder of the semester: the Sod Busters Ball and the Inter-frat Dance. The Ball, which is to be held in March, will use a Sadie Hawkins theme in celebration of the leap year. The annual Inter-fraternity Dinner and Dance will be held at the Mark Twain Hotel on April 14. Music for the dance will be provided by Phi Mu Alpha.

### A.C.E.I. NEWS

The theme of the February A.C.E.I. meeting was "Music in the Elementary Grades." Members of the music faculty and several students from the campus elementary school participated. Mr. Stringer spoke concerning vocal music in the elementary grades. The importance of instrumental music was explained by Mr. Baynes. Miss Borkey demonstrated the uses of the piano in elementary music. Student selections supplemented the instrumental and piano portions of the program.

A special nominating committee chose candidates for A.C.E.I. offices for the 1956-57 term. Additional candidates were nominated from the floor. Election were held during the last week in February.

A.C.E.I.'s future plans include the A.C.E.I. Week-End and the Annual

### A.C.E.I. Banquet.

At the March meeting of A.C.E.I., members of last years graduation class will be featured to discuss with the group some of the experiences of their first year of teaching.

### GREEN ROOM JOTTINGS

High voltage action and sine tingling suspense are the key words for the March twenty-third production of "Outward Bound" by Sutton Vane.

College Players will bring drama at its peak to the stage of Straughn Hall, and an ethereal ship-load of excitement will cause each member of the audience to gasp in horror and intrigue.

The Mrs. Cliveden Banks, a high class passenger is played by Jackie Gross. Mrs. Midget, the third class member in the person of a little old lady, is portrayed by Pauline Rice. The new talent of "Players" is introduced with Ellis Martin as Rev. Thompson, and Richard De Geus as Rev. Duke. Big business is another name for Lingley; as acted by Don Books, and Scrubby the bar tender comes to life in the person of Richard Haven. The confusion of his past life and his hope for the future makes Prior a character to remember. Paul Reed interprets this part with ability pointed high. A bit of romance is added to the plot of suspense in the persons of Henry and Ann who are played by Jim Powell and Sharon Danks.

To student direct this cruise of adventure is William Ruth; and the pushing hand of general co-ordinator, Harriet Commins, makes smooth sailing.

### KAPPA DELTA PI

Kappa Delta Pi presented the assembly program on, Tuesday, February 21. The title of the program was "Student Teaching Through the Key-hole".

The purpose of the program was to acquaint the student body with the trials and joys of student teaching. The program was under the direction of Shirley Sandrock and Leonard Brown.

### SIGMA ZETA

Sigma Zeta held a meeting Tuesday, February 7 to nominate officers for the coming year.

Nominated for the Presidency were: Gene Watkins, Harold Hackett, and Duane Seymour. George Smith and Jim Wilson are the candidates for the Vice Presidency. Shirley Sandrock and Joyce Wilkens were suggested for Secretary, Charles Fickenger for Treasurer, and Joseph Witowski for Historian. The elections were held on February 24.

### M CLUB INITIATES

M Club welcomed seven new athletes into their ranks. The initiation followed the usual procedure established in previous years. The final phase of the duties of the new members was the formal initiation held during the week of February 6.

The following members received their varsity "M's" for outstanding work on the gridiron: Sam Krieg, Dick Warters, Paul Hvizdzak, Frank Dunnikan, Jack Denhoff, Arlo Lenker, and Gary Enderle.

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discussion are: (1) How can improved communications between students and their council stimulate interest in student government? (2) Can and should there be a new viewpoint in college infillations. (3) How can the problem of cheating be controlled? (4) How can the day students be better integrated into the college program? (5) Can the dining room promote and stimulate values to students? Each panel will have seven student members, a student chairman, and a faculty consultant. Five Mansfield students will act as recorders.

President and Mrs. Morgan will be at home to the delegates during the latter part of Friday afternoon, and in the evening a banquet will be served. At this banquet President Morgan will speak on the topic "Building Bridges or Building Walls."

Entertainment by the Concert Wind Ensemble and by Opera Workshop will be presented after the banquet, and at 9:30 p. m. there will be a free dance in the gymnasium. For this dance The Orchestra will play, a floor show will be presented and it

is hoped that many Mansfield students will attend.

Saturday morning a final session will be held to summarize the panels and to conduct any necessary business.

Under the able leadership of Robert Swinsick as general coordinator, the planning committee has been functioning since early October. The entertainment committee is under the chairmanship of Joanne Davis; registration is headed by Shirley Sandrock who is also Conference Treasurer. Carol Davis and Geraldine Grish act as secretaries to handle the correspondence. Housing is in charge of Thomas Allis, and banquet arrangements are being handled by Ann Sullivan. The panel committee is headed by Margaret Noll, and Paul Reed is directing the printing of programs. Dean Long, Dean Jackson, and Dean Billings are advisors to the committee.

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## College Players in 'Outward Bound' Tonight



Cast members are, seated, left to right: Jacqueline Gross of Wellsboro, Richard Haven of Snederville, Sharon Danks of Elmira Heights, and Pauline

Rice of New Bloomfield. Standing left to right, Richard DeGeus, Roseville, Donald Books, Nelson; Bill Ruth, director of Berwick, James Powell of

Mountaintop and Paul Reed of Philadelphia.

Miss Elizabeth Allen and Miss Sarah Drum are faculty advisors.

### High Fidelity Concerts Twice Weekly

A Boben (Lenco) record player with a four-pole motor, G.E. magnetic cartridge and weighed turntable; a Harman-Kardon amplifier capable of transmitting and amplifying the full range of frequencies audible to the human ear with minimum distortion; and twelve-inch University coaxial speaker mounted in a 5.5 cubic foot bass reflex enclosure built by Mr. Irving Parker in the college carpenter shop according to plans worked out by the Science Department; these are the components of the new high fidelity sound system recently added to the equipment of the Science Building. It was originally intended to be used in the teaching of bird songs in classes in Ornithology and related subjects, and in Acoustics. Bird song is notably rich in the higher frequencies, and to hear good recordings of them played on this instrument is a revelation in sound realism.

But because the set is so very good the Science Department wants to share it more widely than limitation of its use to these courses would permit, and that is why it is offering the record concerts in the auditorium of the Science Building every Monday and Wednesday afternoon at 4:00. Programs for these concerts are regularly posted on the bulletin boards in the various buildings on the campus.

So if you like good music, reproduced with nearly concert hall realism, make it a habit to come to these concerts. If necessary, bring a book along and study while you listen; a little music is bound to seep in. In addition to a variety of symphonies, concertos, and smaller pieces, some big things will be presented this season.

### 'Outward Bound'

All aboard for adventure, excitement, and mystery. Buy your ticket to eternity; the price is your life.

Mrs. Cliveden Banks bought her ticket to be near her husband, a departed soldier. It seems that society's loss was eternity's gain when she stepped off the ship.

Mrs. Midget boarded the vessel to get away from the tribulations of life. Her aim was a thorough holiday, but she disembarked to a greater task. What big secret made her decide to help Prior, a helpless alcoholic, in the life hereafter?

Mr. Lingley's voyage was occupied by big business, but when land was sighted he found himself a broken and dejected man.

What made Reverend Duke think that he had lost his job, and how did

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### Brothers In Harmony

Brothers are we all; the world is growing smaller, and we must work together in harmony. This seems to be the philosophy of Mr. Lee Crisman, Chairman of the Department of Music Education, Boston University.

Work in harmony. Literally, that is what some 139 students from twenty-six of Pennsylvania's colleges did last weekend. They met on Mansfield's campus for the Ninth Annual Pennsylvania Inter-Collegiate Band Festival. Mr. Crisman was their conductor.

Near the end of the concert, Mr. Crisman turned to the audience and expressed his thrill in working with such a fine group of young musicians. He went on to say that music could be a great disseminator of democracy.

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### In The Kitchen

returned to the campus. Mrs. Schutt, better known as the college dietician, is the newest member of the reliable kitchen force. Upon graduation with a B.S. in Home Economics, Mrs. Schutt and her husband owned and operated an Inn at Coudersport, Pa. and until just recently they managed the Center Dairy Bar and Restaurant.

In the kitchen is a smooth organized and efficient group of seventeen men and women under her supervision. Many of them have been here for several years, and the two head cooks have completed a quarter century of service. They come to work in the wee small hours of the morning to cook and serve meals for approximately five hundred students. Their job is not easy! It you don't think so, try to please that many people with so many different tastes.

The dietician's job is to plan, buy, and assist in the preparation of colorful, varied, and well-balanced meals plus receive the criticism from all sides. But Mrs. Schutt thinks "the students are most co-operative" and she enjoys her work. To use her own words, "I appreciate all complaints, suggestions, and complimentary comments concerning the meals we serve you." This is ample proof that she is trying hard to do her best. It can't be done, however, without interest and help from the student body itself. Why not take time out the next time a meal rates an 'A' with you and tell the dietician or kitchen help that it "hits the spot" and you would like to have it repeated real soon. They certainly do deserve a pat on the back.

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MANSFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA



## SO YOU WANT A DEGREE

The degree's the thing whereby we'll catch the job. So we may think. A degree, you know (or maybe you don't), is something like a pedigree. The degree points to what has gone before; the pedigree, to whom has gone before.

I once had a pedigreed pup. Cute little fella, and what a line of ancestors! But that was no indication of his personal value as a dog. His bark was no better than that of my neighbor's mongrel. In fact, my neighbor's mongrel could outbark him most anytime my neighbor's mongrel had a mind to. And he often had a mind to.

Once my pup got on the same side of the fence with the mongrel. His pedigree was not one bit of protection then. His ancestors had long since departed this side of dogdom. He was in it, and he had to get out the best he could all by himself.

It is all very easy to look upon a degree as an answer-all now. but put yourself on the other side of the fence. No piece of paper stamped B.S. in Education is going to answer a student's question. You'll be in it then. If you get out at all, you shall do it by yourself.

P. A. R.

## HATS OFF

To the Community Orchestra and the College Concert Wind Ensemble for inviting us to several musical feasts last month—feasts, we may add, that did not give us indigestion.

## UNDER GLASS

This issue of the FLASHLIGHT is wholeheartedly devoted to the BOWDLERIZED version of "Outward Bound"—pre-cut by the college dramatic club. It will be sheared delight to see our gallant galloping Hebe—rt trotting forth from the wings proffering Bacchus' gifts secreted in an old cut-glass prune juice container. The man in the white coat will also double as first-aid attendant to the cast just in case an occasional tongue might bore through a cheek. But, like our anonymous foremothers, the Players shall Carrie on.

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The conference recently held at Mansfield was a great success. One thing that should have been suggested is that the "Great God Nick-O-Teen" preside over the dining room.

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King Neptune is blushing at the antics of one of his playful daughters. A tub is the place for water, not paper bags. Tch, tch.

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The assembly presented by Phi Mu Alpha was very pleasant. Strange, No snoring.

## TAKE FIVE

The column heading is not very appropriate this month; you will probably be finished reading in few seconds. As for national news that might pertain to us, there isn't any. Local news is almost in the same state of affairs; however, two of the boys, Don Lee and Jack Edgerton, increased the amount of their allotment checks last month. Don was married to Dean Long's secretary, Marilyn Shaw, and Jack Edgerton, to a cute little Home Ec Student, Corrine Price. Best of luck to the four of you.

A few days ago I heard someone say that they thought Ed Whitecavage would make a lawyer. I couldn't quite understand the statement until I heard about that discussion of discussion in sociology class. Ed, you really made an impression.

"Veterans and Initiations" one of the topics discussed during the Student Government Association meeting. I am not familiar with what was accomplished by this discussion, but I do know that Skip Fiocca's blood pressure surged upward when one of the visiting deans stated that he could see reasons why the World War II vets did not like initiations, but that he could see NO reason why the Korean vets should object. I can appreciate Skip's

## AROUND THE LIBRARY

Miss Rea J. Steele, the college librarian, has been at Mansfield 15 years. She is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and of Columbia University where she received her B.A. and M. S. in Library Science.

The new assistant librarian arrived in January, and is Mr. Raleigh De Priest who is a graduate of the George Peabody College for Teachers and has done additional graduate work at the University of Michigan. He has been the librarian of the Detroit Institute of Technology since 1951.

The other assistants in the library are Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. Cox. Mrs. Palmer is librarian in the Laboratory School and is only in the College Library part time.

In addition to Miss Steele and her assistants, the college employs student assistants. They are Joan Bates, Patricia Bieber, Joyce Bowman, Catherine Brann, Mary Brandon, Amelia Cerchie, Nancy Hallett, Barbara Innes, Beverly Trowbridge and Martha Zane.

Sunday library hours have proved very successful. This was tried for the first time last year. The library is now open every Sunday afternoon from 2:00 until 4:00 with student assistants only on duty. Miss Steele reports that the number of students using the library during these hours varies from twenty to sixty, the average being about thirty.

## GREAT BOOKS ADDED

Among new books recently received in the library is a fifty four-volume set entitled "Great Books of the Western World" covering some of the greatest contributors to basic knowledge from Plato to Sigmund Freud. They are the same books used in a "great books" program by public libraries on a national scale relative to adult education. Since 1937 they have been used by St. John's University as a basis for a full four-year curriculum in the liberal arts.

Published by the Great Books Foundation, which regards them as readings of "the greatest original minds of our civilization", the set was financed by the Old Dominion Foundation in collaboration with the American Library Association.

Miss Rea J. Steele, Librarian, who furnished evidence of the need for these books by our library is solely responsible for our acquisition of the set without cost to the institution and in competition with 1,600 other libraries. (There was a limited number of sets). The regular cost for the set is approximately \$250.00.

The "great books" have all been processed and are now ready for circulation on the regular 14-day basis. They are located in special shelving in the library reading room just left of the entrance to the library office.

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feelings at the time the statement was made. However, we shouldn't let ourselves get upset over such things. Korea was only a "police action"!

Remember that this is a short month; all check vouchers must be signed before you leave on the 27.

Smoke, if you got 'em.





# Sportsometer

By Warner Houth

## BASEBALL AHEAD

With the baseball season fast approaching, it might be interesting to take a look at Mansfield's possibilities for the coming season. Coach Stelmack will have seven of the last year's regulars as a nucleus around which to build a formidable squad. The big gaps appear to be at shortstop and third base, key positions which were held last year by Ed Merritt and John Kutney.

Around the other positions, the pitching chores will be probably be divided by Don Williams, Harold Hackett and possibly Rich Warters while Joe Witowski and Harry Dean Watkins should handle the catching job effectively. Bill Dewey will probably take over the duties at first base; only Bill Martin could oust Jim (Benny) Watkins from his second base job; and Merle Stilwell is pretty much of a fixture in center field. The left and right field jobs may go to Bob Leslie and Vince Siracuse if Bill Farrell and John Zimmerman are moved into the infield.

These ball players are all experienced and could develop into a good, well rounded team. However, if we take a glance at last year's statistics, the outlook doesn't appear too nippy. Offensively only Merle Stilwell (.300) and Bill Farrell (.409) held outstanding batting averages. Benny Watkins (.260), Joe Witowski (.250) and Bob Leslie (.200) were the only other regulars to break the .200 mark. Other batting averages including Bill Dewey (.111), John Zimmerman (.107) and Vince Siracuse (.090). Merle Stilwell led the extra base parade with two doubles and two home runs and stole the most bases (4). The only other long blows were a home run by Benny

Watkins. Watkins and Dewey were also the most effective at getting on base via the walk route each having six. Joe Witowski claimed the dubious honor of striking out most as he whiffed five times but he walked four times to recompense somewhat.

Baseball is a crazy game that places most of the defensive responsibility on the pitcher, and Mansfield's pitching staff is just about as nippy defensively as the rest of the squad is offensively. Rich Warters was the Mount's only victorious flinger last year with a (1-2) won-lost record. Don Williams registered (0-3) and Hal Hackett finished at (0-1). Williams pitched 34 innings, gave up 31 hits, 26 runs, walked 19, but struck out 22. Warters pitched 27 innings, gave up 21 hits, 15 runs, walked 11, and struck out 22. Hackett pitched 7 innings, gave up 7 hits, walked 6, and struck out 3. The fielders didn't help matters defensively as they committed 24 errors, Dewey and Watkins being the leading offenders with five miscues apiece.

Overall, the squad is sound but needs improvement in every department. The addition of a few Freshmen may help stimulate competition for each position. Basically, the chief requirement is more hustle by the ball players and a great deal more interest from the fans. After all, the guys work hard in practice day after day--the least we, the fans, can do is show our appreciation by giving our whole hearted support. So let's all pitch in and make the coming season a successful one.

## COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

It seems that after the Assembly Program on February 7, the general opinion that "concert" means longhair has changed. Once again Mansfield Community Symphony Orchestra has proved that concert music can be and is enjoyable. The assembly program consisted of such things that appear to the light hearted folk and yet did not enter the "cheap music" category.

Time for another session of SPORTS-OMETER, but this issue comes to you as a joint project. Next year's Sports Editor, Bob Keenan and myself are combining our talents to bring you the sports column for the month of March.

Writing a column in between the seasons is a tough job—a little bit here a little bit there; but not too much of anything.

Since tournament time is almost over, All-Star teams are out, coaches are using the word "if" and fans the word "(censored)", it's an ideal time to summarize one season and be optimistic about the next.

Our Mounts finished up with a 7-11 slate. A poor season on the record but an above average one in recent Mountaineer basketball histories. We all know it could have been a better year, but let's forget about it and look into next year's crystal ball.

Only two men depart from this year's squad: Don Williams and Jules Gottleb. Williams was high scorer for the Mounts this year and one of the top rebounders and defensive men on the squad.

Returning from the starting five will be Joe Witowski, Don Lee, Joe Linkoski, and Jon Peterson or Paul Hvizdak. Such men as Ted Wichert, Gary Enderle, Bip Palmer, Joe Murphy and Vince Siracuse will be fighting for first positions. Moving up fast from this year's J. V. squad are Hal Hanson and Bucky White, two boys who'll give anyone a run for their money. One mustn't overlook the potential of incoming Freshmen or returning vets to strengthen our squad. Don Williams, Joe Witowski, Joe Linkoski and Don Lee gained first string births their Freshman year and changes are some Mansfield Invitational Tournament stars will enter this College come next fall. It's a wide optimistic. IF

## SPORT SHORTS

Mansfield High School and Junior High squads finished their seasons with very successful records. The high school varsity, coached by Mr. Joseph Tocci, won the Tioga County League Championship with a 15-1 record. Bill Farrell, a Mansfield Junior and leading batter on the '55 baseball nine, led the J. V.'s to a 12-4 season and third place in the Junior Varsity division. Under the coaching of Tom Splain and Warner Houth, the Junior High completed an undefeated season with their 25th consecutive victory.

Best of luck to next year's M Club President, John Zimmerman.

"Bip" Palmer and "Wip" Murphy are staging furious "lip war" in 204 John Marcharek seen playing "Flashlight" on East Wilson Street.

"Tink" and "Potty" are building up points for their WAA jackets.





# Activities of Campus Organizations

## SOUTH HALL

Have you noticed the deluge of new faces on campus? Welcome to all the new students and to those who are returning after being away for some time.

We lost a member of our dormitory council this semester. Eugene Watkins is now commuting from his home in Nelson. Richard Millitch was elected to the vacancy.

The following dorm members for next year have been elected:

Merle Maxson, President; William Dewey, senior member; Robert Leslie and Thomas Cooley, Junior members; Paul McCabe, freshman member.

## DAY STUDENT'S CLUB

The election of Day Student's Club officers for 1956-57 was held on

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## 'Outward Bound'

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he learn to pray?

Love kept Ann and Michael happy on their travels; even though they were different from any of the other passengers. Their dog, Jock, helped them find their destination.

The steward, Scrubby, was destined to remain on the ship forever; his future being an endless passage through time.

All of these lives were held to the decision of Reverend Thomas, the examiner. He was the final link between the past and future for each of the passengers who were "Outward Bound."

Thursday and Friday, February 8 and 9. Those elected were James Wilson, Men's President; Paul Mitchell, Men's Vice-President; Joan Rogers the Women's President; Marietta Harrison, Women's Vice-President; Fred Smith, Secretary-Treasurer.

The weekend activity sponsored by the Day Student's Club will be a square dance, to be held in April.

## GEOGRAPHY CLUB

At the February meeting of the Geography Club, Mr. Robert Cole, an alumnus of Mansfield, spoke on our Western States. Also he showed colored slides. After the entertainment refreshments were served by Mrs. George Langdon, wife of the adviser.

## RELIGION IN THE NEWS

It was recently announced by Mr. Cyril Stretansky, President of the Newman Club, that the Mansfield Newman Club as taken first place in magazine cover contest. The contest was sponsored by the Middle Atlantic Province of Newman Clubs. This organization includes the states of Pennsylvania New Jersey, Delaware, and

Maryland.

The Newman Club commemorated the birthday of Cardinal Newman on February 26 with a communion breakfast.

The Student Christian Association concluded its February Program on February 23 with a patriotic service. Dr. George P. Bluhm spoke to the group on the topic, "Religion and Patriotism."

## LAMBDA MU

The Lambda Mu Sorority held its second initiation ceremony on Saturday, February 11. The addition of eleven new members was celebrated at the Penn Wells Hotel with a formal banquet after initiation.

## SOPHOMORE ELECTIONS

On February 16 and 17 the reser sopomores elected the following officers to guide them through their junior year.

President, Robert Keenan; Vice President, Robert O'Neil; Secretary, Ellen Weigle; Treasurer, Virginia Honkanson.

## OMICRON GAMMA PI

The home economics girls were hostess at a delightful week-end for the students of Mansfield State Teachers College. The movie, "Viva Zapata", was presented on Friday evening, February 17.

The International Fair was held Saturday night. It provided one quick, easy and enoyable way for the students to tour different parts of the world. The evening was climaxed by dining and dancing at the "French Cafe". Tasty and exotic foods from various countries were served.

## Brothers in Harmony

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He expressed his desire for placing student music festivals on a national and international level, and he said that such festivals are now a definite possibility.

During the intermission of last Saturday's concert, Mr. Donald O. Cameron, President of the Pennsylvania Collegiate Bandmasters' Association announced that Mr. Bertram Francis of M.S.T.C. had been elected the new president of the Association.





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## THE COLORFUL COURT OF MAY



From top to bottom: Ruth Parisella, Janice Austin, Jeanette Crane, Joan Ludgate, Jean Ludgate, Sharon Danks, Margaret Mirocke, Sonia Houck, Eleanor Stilwell.

NINE  
"FAIR"  
LADIES

Who  
will be  
their  
Queen  
? ? ?

### Conc't Wind Ensemble Tours Wilkes-Barre Scranton Area

Tuesday, March 27 a noon marked the beginning of Easter vacation for most Mansfield students. However, for the forty-four members of the Concert Wind Ensemble it marked the beginning of a two-day concert tour through the Scranton-Wilkes-Barre area.

The Ensemble played their first concert that afternoon in West Pittston, Penna. That evening they presented their program at the Wilkes College Auditorium in Wilkes-Barre, the Boy Scouts of America. The Band presented three concerts the next day at the Scranton Technical High School in Scranton, Penna., and at Wyalusing High School in Wyalusing, Penna. William Savage, a Mansfield graduate, is the Music director at Wyalusing.

The members of the Ensemble  
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### A TWO-STAR ATTRACTION

Put on your dancing shoes and come one, come all to the Student Center TONIGHT. The CARONTAWAN staff is sponsoring a dance. (As an added attraction, admission is FREE.)

The '55-'56 yearbooks will be distributed immediately following the dance. Be sure to get your copy!

## M.S.T.C. to Observe Its 18th Traditional May Day Next Sat.

Saturday May 5, 1956, Mansfield State Teachers College will observe its 18th May Day. It is traditional, at Mansfield, for students of all classes to combine their efforts to make May Day a highly anticipated, well enjoyed and truly memorable occasion.

Miss Ellamae Jackson, general chairman, has announced the following schedule of activities:

2:00 Festivities in Straughn Hall,  
including Maypole Dance and

Opera Workshop program.  
6:00 May Day Dinner in Dining  
Room.

8:00 May Day Dance in the gym-  
nasium.

### Science Fair Held

The fourth annual Science Fair is was presented here yesterday. High Schools from Tioga County participated with exhibits, models, charts and displays. These exhibits were on display in the college gymnasium. The public was invited to the show 10:00 a. m. through 2:30 p. m. Mr. Mutchler and Mr. Sundberg judged the respective scientific fields of Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

Dr. Paul Saunders from Alfred University spoke to the group at one o'clock in Straughn Auditorium. His demonstrations were on "Fire and Liquid Air". Awards were given for the most valued exhibits.

The purpose of this scientific program is to develop and enrich the child's ambition and participation as well as his interest in science. Search for future scientists is also anticipated by this program. Observation is also important here for future teachers.

The high spot of the day's activities will be the crowning of the Queen of the May by Merle Stilwell, president of the student council. Her crown is to be made by Barbara Bush and Carole Fitch.

A committee of juniors has been selected to make arrangements for the traditional May Day or Recognition Dinner. J. Brown is chairman, assisted by E. Frezza, J. Smith and J. Wilkins.

The sophomore committee for the May Day Dance consists of: Mary Welsh, Chairman, J. Sharpless, H. Chumard and A. Cerchie.

The committee of freshmen, responsible for ushering, is: Grace Ayers, chairman, Joyce Helsel, Linnea Olson and Marilyn Christ.

The Maypole Dance, a highlight of each year's festivities, will be performed by Jo Ann Bowen, Lynette Christ, Lois Cox, Carolyn Downer, Jean Francis, Lois Francis, Mary Jo Neff, Patricia Oldenberg, Cathrine Parke, Betty Rose, Janice Schutt, Ni-  
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# Council Announces Students of Month

## FEBRUARY

Mansfield's outstanding student for the month of February is Jean Ludgate, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Ludgate of Moscow, Pa.

Jean is a Senior in the elementary

course, although she enrolled in Home Economics and spent her first year in that curriculum.

She certainly is a busy girl on the campus. Those organizations in which Jean is active member are: A.C.E.I.,

FLASHLIGHT, Newman Club, W.A. A. and Student Council. Jean has been a member of the Women's Dormitory Council since her Freshman year. This year she is doing a wonderful job serving as president of the Dormitory Council.

Jean has been chosen as a member of the may court this year.

She and her twin, Joan, plan to teach in New York next September. We all wish you the best of luck!



Jean Ludgate



Roger Woltz

## UNION DUES AND DON'TS

On Tuesday, April 17, an assembly was held by the Student Government Association. The results of this assembly proved to be very interesting.

The main business of the meeting concerned the problem of whether or not new students coming into Mansfield should be required to pay an extra \$5.00 which would go to the Student Union for improvements.

It is interesting to note that the majority of discussion at that meeting was against the recommendation. It is also interesting to note that, even though most of the discussion was argument against this recommendation, there were enough far sighted persons present to carry the recommendation by a majority of nearly two to one.

This is a good sign, and looking at it from long range, it should be good for the future of the Student Union.

The Student Union has been making a profit since it was opened last October, but the profits have not been sufficient enough to pay the debt and still provide the necessary improvements to make it a better place for the students to spend their leisure time.

To install new booths, which are badly needed, will take a large portion of the money received from next year's incoming freshmen. A stamp machine which has been requested for next year will cost \$50.00, and there is also a possibility of reducing food prices.

This recommendation is good. It provides the crystal ball into which we can look and see, in the future, a new Student Union to provide enjoyment and relaxation for many years to come.

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## MARCH

During the past few years, many veterans have joined the Mansfield student body and some have made notable scholastic and social achievements while on campus. Such a person is Roger J. Woltz.

"Rog" is now residing in Gaines, Penna., with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pernell J. Woltz. He served as Vice-President and President of the Men Day Students in 1954-55 and 1955-56, respectively. As Vice-President elect of Kappa Delta Pi, he's carrying to another organization the same type of fine work that he displayed as Vice-President of the Geography Club and as a member of Phi Sigma Pi and Sigma Zeta. Recently he served on the Constitution Revision Committee of the Student Government Association.

Rog is presently employed by the Pennsylvania Game Commission. Whether Rog finally decides to enter the the teaching field or to go into full-time conservation work, he will be an asset to his job.

## Student Body Hears Conference Reports

At a recent assembly of the student body, the main agenda on the program was the presentation of reports of two conferences attended by some of our students.

Robert Swinsick gave a report on the eighteenth Annual Conference of Student Governments of Pennsylvania State Teachers Colleges held on our campus. Margaret Noll presented a report of the Eastern States Association Conference of Professional Teachers which was held in New York City. Both of these students summarized the highlights of these conferences and pointed out some of the general things which they received from the conferences.

After these reports, a general business meeting of the Student Government Association was held. A bill was presented and voted upon by the student body which recommended that all in-coming freshmen to the college should pay five dollars for the Student Union Fund. The measure was passed by a vote of 260-139.

## Wind Ensembl Tours . . .

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were housed by M.S.T.C. students from the area. Each member is to be commended for relinquishing part of his vacation time to bring music and good will to the Scranton-Wilkes-Barre area.

The Ensemble is created from a select group of students. The band plays full instrumentation, but with a minimum doubling of parts. Their director is Mr. Bertram Francis.

The 8nsemble will present two concerts this month, on April 22 in Simpson, Penna. and on April 26 in Shinglehouse, Penna.





# Sportsometer

By Warner Houth

## Intramural All-Stars Selected

SPORTSOMETER recently conducted an Intramural All-Star team balloting here on campus. Ten ballots were submitted, eight by coaches or captains of each team and two by officials. These taking part in the voting selected a first five and a second five, but could not include members of their own squad on the ballot. The voting was so close that six players were named to the first squad. The most ballots a person could be named on was nine and the highest number of points any one player could receive was eighteen, (two for a first team vote—one for a second team vote).

Pat McGraw, Navy Blue ace, walked off with the mythical M.V. Player award. McGraw was named on every ballot and received six first team votes and three second team votes for a total of fifteen points. Pat hails from Holy Rosary High in Scranton, Pa., where he was a court standout for the "Beads". Only a Freshman, McGraw has three years of court-work here at M.S.T.C. and with a "break" could gain a Varsity berth.

Navy Blue had the most Valuable Player, but Phi Sig ran away with team honors by placing four of their first five on the All-Star aggregation. Merle Stilwell, speedy Phi Sig forward, was runner up to McGraw with eleven points and was named on eight of nine ballots (three first team votes and five second). Bob Leslie joined teammate Stilwell on the first team. Leslie was one of the top rebounders in the league and also a prolific scorer. Rounding out the first five, each received ten points, were Merle Maxson (Edgeshots), Jim Weaver (Navy Blue) and Bill Sandler (Fighting Irish). Maxson was constant scorer for the defunct Edgeshots and poured in a seasons high of 32 against the Black hawks. Weaver gained recognition as a top flight rebounder, playmaker and defensive ace for the Navy Blue. Sandler, at 6'4" was the tallest player in the league and sparked the Fighting Irish to an amazing comeback after two drubbings to start the season.

The two other Phi Sigers to gain All-Star berths were Bob Keenan and Ben Watkins. Both had nine points to lead the second team. Keenan, was a big board man and scorer, while Watkins was Phi Sig's chief playmaker and outside man. Cloyd Price (Blackhawks), Sam Krieg (Fighting Irish) and John Muto (Vets) form the remainder of the squad. All three were leading scorers on their respective squads.

Following are the complete results of the balloting:

First Team				
Name	Name	1st	2nd	Tot.
Navy Blue				
McGraw		6	3	15
Phi Sig				
Stilwell, M.		3	5	11

Phi Sig				
Leslie		4	2	10
Irish				
Sandler		4	2	10
Edgeshots				
Maxson		4	2	10
Navy Blue				
Weaver		4	2	10

Second Team				
Phi Sig				
Keenan		3	3	9
Phi Sig				
Watkins, B.		4	1	9
Blackhawks				
Price		4	0	8
Irish				
Krieg		4	0	8
Vets				
Muto		2	3	7

Honorable Mention  
Merritt (Mouses-5), Page (Mouses-5), Watkins (Navy Blue-5), Wright (Navy Blue-5), Babcock (Sports-4), Hufnagel (Mouses-4), McCabe (Blue-3), Madigan (Irish-3), Cruttenden (Blackhawks-2), Jackson (Sports-2), McHale (Edgeshots), Lloyd (Mouses-1), Stevens (Sports-1), Swinsick (Irish-1), Mitchell (Blackhawks-1), Sunderlien (Navy Blue-1).  
P.S.

At the time of this publication Phi Sig is leading the league with a 9-1 slate. Navy Blue is second with 8-2.

## A Glance At the Mounts

Since this column is due a week before publication date it's hard to say anything definite about the Mountaineers nine. A limited amount of practice has been a definite handicap in bringing out the best potentiality of each player. With only two weeks of conditioning under their belts it's hard to expect mid-season performances. Pitching arms and batting eyes must gradually be worked into shape.

The probable starters appear to be Bill Dewey (1B), Ben Watkins (2B-Captain), Yake O'Donnell (SS), Bill Farrell (3B), Jack Zimmermerman (LF), Merle Stilwell (CF-Co-Captain), Vince Siracuse (RF), and Jack Harcharek or Joe Witowski behind the plate. Jockeying for a first team position are Bob Leslie, John Muto, Jon Peterson, Harry Watkins, and freshman Hal Hanson, Rog Lloyd, and Jim Merritt. On the hill Coach Stelmack has lettermen Dick Warters, Neg Williams, Hal Hackett and Al Eno along with Joe Murphy, Gary Enderle and Freshman Tony Della Salla and Ed Whitecavage.

There's the squad and THEY NEED YOUR SUPPORT for a winning season. Playing before a crowd of twenty-five or thirty is discouraging to a ball team. Remember, this squad is representing YOUR school in inter-collegiate athletics and YOUR helping hand can make or break them. All of us need some sunshine, so give the books a break and watch the homegames on Wed. May 2 (Bloomsburg), Sat. May 5 (Lock Haven), Fri. May 11 (Ithaca), and Sat. May 26 Cortland.

## Sport Shorts

Some M Club members looking for summer jobs in the Poconos. Seems they've heard you can stay in "shape" down here.

Cortland's George Breen gained acclamation as the greatest freestyler in history via his record-shattering

18:05.9 in the 1500 meter freestyle. Breen also edged out National Champ Ford Konno in the 440 Yard freestyle.

The A.A.U. is starting to apply pressure on some of the nations' top amateurs. Wes Santee, American top miler, was recently suspended and the amateur statistics of Kansas U's "Wilt the Stilt" Chamberlain was challenged.

Viewed the East-West game in N.Y. C. on March 31 and watched Bill Russell "stuff" in 19 points to lead the West to decisive victory. A.A.U. officials stepped in and banned Heinsohn, Green, Sobieszyk and McCoy from participating in the game. The foursome signed to play in the College All-Star Harlem Globtrotters series—a pro deal.

Time out for predictions. Yanks and Dodgers in Fall Classic—Duke's Dave Sime to run a 9.2 hundred—University of Kansas under Dick Harp (Phog Allen's successor) to take N.C.A.A. with Wilt Chamberlain leading the way.

"M" Clubbers to put on their "Chomping boots" May 2nd for their annual feast at the Hamilton Club.

Entrance exams likely to put a dent in M.S.T.C.'s sports program.

Time to close out my term as Sports Editor of the Flashlight. It's been great writing for the students here at Mansfield and I hope you've enjoyed the column.

Best of luck to next year's FLASHLIGHT staff and the Sports Department.

Be a good sport-on the field and during a test.

## May Day Next Sat.

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nita Stilwell, Jo Ann Warner and Joan Young accompanied by Helen Chumard.

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# The FLASHLIGHT

## Literary Section

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE  
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### On Advice

by  
Ed Morgan

Many are the offers of advice a person will receive upon making known his decision to enter college. Of all the things of life, the best of which are free according to the song, I find that advice is the most abundant.

This generosity seems to affect all people at the slightest excuse. One can expect free advice from well meaning friends and relatives but he will also receive it from mere acquaintances and even total strangers if the occasion arises.

One peculiarity of this type of advice is that there is very little originality about it, and it usually consists of some form of quotation, the accuracy of which is left to chance.

The first quotation I recall hearing after stating my intention to enter college was the old perennial "It's never too late to learn." Then some "wag" comes up with "You can't teach an old dog new tricks."

Upon thinking of the many quotations I have heard or read from time to time, it would seem that the whole business of quotes is like a game of dominoes in which every pointer can be discounted by another. A good case in point could be "Look before you leap" as compared with "He who hesitates is lost." We are told that "A penny saved is a penny earned" but "You can't take it with you."

How can I "Save for a rainy day" when I know that "Nothing is sure but death and taxes?" We strive to "Make hay while the sun shines" although we say "Haste makes waste."

In most any task "Two heads are better than one" but "Too many cooks

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### MEDITATIONS ON SIX RURAL MAIL BOXES

Roy McCaffrey

We see all, we know all. Through our portals pass the information that determines the rise and fall of many. We are immune to all kinds of weather: golden sun, or the heavy snow that now enshrouds us making identification difficult. Each day a messenger brings vital information to be stored in our holds; each day this information passes into the hands of those for whom it was intended. We are six faithful rural mail boxes.

Our vivid colors, our unwavering loyalty to our cause is symbolic of those whom we serve: the American farmer. We are among the first to know of bills that are due, checks that are received, and new farm programs that politicians wish to foist on our clients. We hear glad news as well as sad news. We are six faithful rural mail boxes..

Suggested by a  
cover on the  
New Yorker

We have seen many changes. Some of us have had more than one owner, some of us are a bit rusty in spots and in need of paint, but generally speaking we are well thought of and well cared for. We are six faithful rural mail boxes.

We took a vote and I was elected to tell you our story. I was elected

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### TO A CHILD

—Margaret Zimmer

Beyond

The glistening snow is softly  
Blanketing the hills, whose  
lofty

Peaks with brimming curiosity  
reach high

To pierce the opal sky.

If one should reach the  
heaven's curtain,

Pause a moment, still uncertain,  
Then, should rally one last

spurt and

Gaze into the abyss so high...

Then would the sky be split  
asunder

No mystery ceiling to be under

Think of this, and never wonder

Why

'Twill never pierce the opal sky.

### I THINK I'M GETTING OLDER

by Robert Denning

Everything is changing lately. I went up a flight of stairs, and what a time I had trying to take two steps at a time. I know there must be more space between the steps. Even the landings between the flights seemed so far away.

The trains at the railroad station are leaving earlier nowadays. I don't even bother to run after them if I'm late. They must have put another block between my house and the station for I'm constantly missing my train.

Another thing that bothers me—the newspapers are being printed with smaller print. Each night as I read the paper, the print is further away. I know I don't need glasses. Why, my eyes have always been wonderful. I know because I'm the only one in my family who doesn't wear glasses.

I don't have that urge any more, either—you know, the urge to merge. I know the girls aren't as pretty as they used to be. When I walk down the street and a girl's skirt is ever so lightly picked up by the curious wind I don't even squint to see what I can see. It's a shame because a few years ago the girls' legs were so attractive.

I met George the other day at the club.

"Hi, George — long time no see. Where you been?"

"Hello," he said.

"What's the matter, George? You look all worn out."

"Nothing's wrong," he said.

"How's your old lady and the kids?"

"Fine," he said.

"Let's have a drink and talk about old times."

"Well, I don't know," he said.

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Guantanamo Bay, Cuba—March 5, 1956

### ... and the rain fell

—Anthony L. Chiarill

The mushroom-shaped cloud was beginning to disappear. It had shrouded the city with its impending disaster since 9 o'clock that morning. It had been a sunny, routine morning, and no one had given much attention to the small plane that had suddenly appeared over the sharp background of mountains. Even when the shrieking sirens sounded their fanatical warning, the people had thought it "only a drill."

Five minutes later the once proud and monumental city, Man's culmination of architectural, cultural, and social development, was nothing more than a chaotic mass of twisted steel and charred bodies. By 4 o'clock that afternoon the ravaged city was in total ruin. The wails and moans of utter despair had ceased. The panic-stricken mobs that had stampeded to the suburbs now lay in a mangled array along the unsheltered roads.

Early in the evening a thin green haze was distinguishable over the entire devastated area. The only sound was the quiet licking of the flames as they advanced from the demolished oil refinery in the north to the already gutted business section a few miles away. The submissive sun now had completely disappeared behind the insatiable mushroom cloud. Threats of ominous thunder sounded and the Almighty's lightning flashed as though in furious retribution for what His image had dared to perpetrate.

Somewhere along a twisted railroad track the thin wall of a baby was heard.

And the rain fell.



# Christmas for Becky

—Elsie Mae Weirich

For me, it might have been a typical day in the Children's Ward—but it wasn't. No, it was Christmas Day, and it was anything but typical. The usual hospital smell was there: ether, oil of cloves, mint-scented medicines, lysol disinfectants, and strong tincture of green soap. But there was an extra special air of excitement, and even happiness in the ward as the children opened the gifts left by "Santa."

Everywhere resounded the "rat-a-tat-tat" of toy guns, the "bang, bang" of toy drums, the faint, high-pitched "Mama" of lacy, soft-skinned baby dolls, and the "clank" of new metal toys being thrown over the sides of the bed rails and onto the floor. Down the rows of cribs could be seen the large, bright, shining eyes of children, and new toys held aloft in small chubby fists for the inspection of nurses, doctors, and fellow patients.

As I glanced down along the white cubicles, my eyes came to rest on the farthest crib in the left hand corner of the ward. No bright eyes were visible; no gleeful shouts were heard from that crib. All I could see was one tiny, lonely figure, sitting with small feet crossed and tiny hands folded in her lap. Her name was Becky and she was as pretty as her name. Her fine hair was blonde and hung in natural little ringlets about her pale, round face.

Becky was a beautiful three and one-half year old child, but when she was first admitted to the ward she was unkempt with dirty face, hands, shoeless feet, and clothes bearing the stench of dirt and perspiration. She was the innocent victim of a broken home and was unloved and misunderstood by her parents. In fact, ever since that first night when she was admitted with a very high fever, sore throat, earache, and convulsions, Becky's parents never came to see her. It looked as though Becky wasn't going to have Christmas like the other boys and girls.

After a very short consultation between doctors and nurses, we decided to give Becky a present. Having obtained a cuddly, soft-skinned doll that "cooed" and said "Mama," an interne dressed himself like Santa Claus. We came to Becky's bedside and after telling her that he had come with a special gift, "Santa" gave her a cherry lollipop. Becky licked it and her face brightened a little. It was thick and sweet — and she liked it. Then Santa gave her the doll. She touched its soft face gently with her fingers and then, quite suddenly, hugged it to her body and cried softly, "Oh! Oh! Mine! All mine!" Becky reached her small hand up and touched Santa's beard. It was soft like the cotton "nursie" used on Becky's face when it was so sore. Then she touched his nose and his plump cheeks. Her hand wandered over his bright red velvet suit trimmed with white fur. It was so plush, so comforting. Suddenly, Becky said, "I see him! I see Santa!"

What's so unusual about it? Well, you see, Becky had been blind since birth.

# Dr. Frieder Weissmann

—Carolee Decker

The most interesting person I have ever met was the director of our Scranton Philharmonic Orchestra, Dr. Frieder Weissmann.

Two years ago, I was very fortunate to be chosen to play as a student with the orchestra. We three student players from Dalton and my mother, as our teacher, went down one Sunday for auditions. As we walked in the door, I got my first close glimpse of the Doctor. He was jumping up and down, his hair streaming over his eyes, swearing in Spanish at the second violins. I began heading back through the door right then, but was finally persuaded to stay by six grasping hands and a glowering mother.

When a break came, the first clarinetist led him over to meet us. As Herr Frieder was introduced to my mother, he said tenderly, "Ov curse! Ow nize to zee you again, darlink." Mom blinked. "But you've never met me before," she stammered, arduously extracting her hand from his continental clutch.

Abruptly he wheeled on me, his steely eyes piercing me like a broken corset stay. "Und vat do you blay?"

"D-Drums," I gulped.

"Droms? Droms! You blay DROMS?!!" He began hopping up and down again as though doing an African war dance, shouting, "Gom! Gom!" I expected a pot and fire to appear. When everyone had "gom" he pointed to me. "Look! Zis leetle sing blays droms." Then he cocked his head, thought a moment, and finally nodded, "Goot, ve use you. You haf a perfect figure for ze triangle!" Thus I became a triangular percussionist.

One night I was unpacking my traps when the door opened and in walked an overcoat and battered Fedora. I didn't pay much attention, for often during rehearsals we had "visitors" who enjoyed the warmth of the building more than our music. This one presently moved over behind me to watch my setting up. I still ignored him. Then one of the violinists turned and said, "Oh, Good Evening, Doctor," to which the overcoat returned from somewhere between the collar and hat brim a stolid "Goot Efenink." Little did I know that this was a ritual. He would come in and stand until someone spoke to him. Then off would come the overcoat and hat, and practice would begin. I was completely at fault for not recognizing my duty and speaking. I never let it happen again.

Due to my being an oddity, I became his special pet, and soon had a new name—"Gituan"—spelled K-i-t-t-e-n. He never failed to say "Goot Efenink" to me or to compliment me on my appearance.

This sometimes went too far. For instance, I was standing backstage one afternoon waiting for the matinee to begin. Our guest, a terrific but reserved Russian pianist, was over in

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# RESTORATION

Carlos Gutierrez Jr.

A lone man—faithless, with many a smiling  
friend—yet none

Save one or two, and they mere men.

Wallowing, dabbling, stabbing blindly in darkness  
all spirit gone

Save a solitary spark of hope—once ten.

How to kindle that lone light? Oh yes—

he must step down, down, down

But then progress will prevail.

For life is a void, a blackness enroute that  
goal—a mound

If solidarity and success all hail!

His duty done faithfully humbly

Never pre supposing a mere ought

A lone man knows again the beauty

Of faith—so glad he fought.



# "It's a Wreck"

—Russell Dowes LaForce

A pale moon drifts overhead. Stars twinkle in the broad expanse of dark blue heaven. A cool, soft breeze wafts over your face as you stroll along a tree-lined walk. "What could be more beautiful?" you think as you catch a glimpse of a couple in their car as they drive slowly by. They have only their hearts to keep them warm in the cool night air. "A convertible is rather chilly for this kind of weather, though!" you say to yourself, dismissing them from your mind. As another car goes by, you are so deep in reverie that the high rate of speed at which it is traveling, doesn't register in your mind. The night is so beautiful; so magnificent, that nothing could possibly spoil it.

Suddenly, a deafening, crashing, explosion splits the silent night air. The sounds of rending, twisting metal, screeching tires, the smashing of glass, and the scream of an injured person cuts into your very soul. Then the familiar cry rings out through the now shattered night air.

"It's a wreck!"

It sends a cold chill of fear over you and your heart seems to cease all movement. Your body is frozen in fright and yet you are drawn by an undefineable attraction to the scene of the accident. You don't want to look, but the same force causes you to stare at the shocking spectacle: The very sight of blood sickens you, yet you are transfixed by the horrible scene. While you stand there, a life ebbs slowly away. A hand falls limp and lifeless to the cold, hard ground. The torn top of the convertible cradles the still body of the young girl. A small crowd mills silently about, unable to assist in any way.

You're frozen at the tremendous sight which is before you. You can't move. The force that brought you so near to the accident now holds you, rooted to the very spot.

The blood, oozing warmly over the torn, twisted door of the once speeding auto, now stops and is stilled forever.

The now lifeless body of the driver of the speeding auto hangs over the steering wheel, his sightless eyes staring in shock and disbelief.

Only the moaning of the young boy, the drip of fuel from a ruptured fuel tank, and the hum of an ignition system can be heard in the now deafening silence. Your breath roars in and out and you cease to breathe for fear you'll be heard. In the distance, the wail of a siren is heard as it speeds to the scene and its mournful cry brings you to life. Now your eyes become misty.

After all, hadn't those two had an entire lifetime ahead of them? Now all had been snuffed out by one careless driver. A tear breaks loose and runs down your cheek as they lift the bleeding, shock-stricken boy into the ambulance. You try to hide your emotions from all eyes as the limp, lifeless body of the young girl is gently lifted from the remainder of the convertible.

As the body of the driver of the speeding car is removed from his battered and twisted implement of death, anger arises in your heart and soul. What right did he have, endangering the lives of everyone on the road? Why did it have to be those who have a lifetime of happiness to enjoy? Contempt takes the place of anger and you turn away from the scene and start on your way home.

The smells of gas, oil, burnt rubber, and blood still linger in your nose as you wend your way homeward.

The sight of torn and twisted chunks of metal, fragments of glass strewn about the tragic scene and the ever-widening rivulets of blood mixed with gas and oil, stays in your mind as clear as the still full moon.

The night is still beautifully radiant with the moonlight on the trees as you walk along the route you had traveled earlier. The cool, soft breeze sounds like the crying of a child as it whimpers through the treetops. A child, now gone from the earth.

As you near your house, the wind in the trees seems to sound like the heavenly voices of angels. And, as you turn to open your door, a new star begins to shine high in the dark blue heavens.

## I THINK I'M GETTING OLDER

(Continued)

"Oh, come on, George, relax! Let your hair down."

"O. K., but just one," he said.

"I'm going to have a martini. How about you?"

"The same," he said.

"These martinis aren't as strong as they used to be . . . are they, George?"

"No they're not," he said.

"George, you've only said a few words. Come on now . . . tell me

what's bothering you?"

"Well," he said, "I'm getting old. I can't keep up the pace any more."

"I feel the same way, George. Hey, remember all the good times we used to have . . ."

The next morning I awoke with a splitting headache. I started to shave. My gosh! They're even changing the glass in the mirrors!

## The Transformation

by Sharon Danks

As the grease paint is smeared on your face, the tension begins to grow. Earlier, while walking into the theater, you sensed the peaceful emptiness of expectation that was hanging over everyone and everything. Now as the director scurries past announcing that ten minutes remain until curtain time, your mind wanders through the events of the past two months. The rehearsals, orders, arguments and satisfactions in a few short hours will be over. Will they have been worth the time and toil? Your makeup is finished. In appearance, at least, you are a sophisticated young woman. You review your lines and find that you are being transformed into that girl. For two hours you will no longer be Sharon Danks, but a girl named Ann who is from another world. The steps from the cellar to the stage seem unusually long tonight, but here you are among the endless confusion of last minute preparations. Where am I? Why am I here? I want to get out!! These thoughts run through your mind in rapid succession. In a corner you see the leading man with a bewildered look on his face. You chuckle to yourself, because you must have looked that way a short second ago. At once a stillness settles over the auditorium. Is there anyone out front? What is happening? The stage is cleared and someone tells you to take your place. This is it!! The lights glow and you are sure that if you open your mouth, everything you ever knew will come spilling. Your hands are perspiring and your eyes are glazed. Will your stomach ever resume its normal condition or are you doomed always to feel like this? The curtains are parting—the lights hurt your eyes, but then you see the blobs of heads beyond. Your mind is a blank, but from way off you hear someone saying, "Oh, I beg your pardon—good morning." It sounds like you, but then you realize as the boy standing beside you answers, "Good morning madam," that it's Ann. Sharon is no more and will not exist for one hundred and twenty minutes. The girl you now are, is calm as she turns and replies, "I'm sorry to bother you, but I'm afraid we've lost our way."

## Love is a Shooting Star

Margaret Zimmer

Love is a shooting star

That flashes, wand-like

Through a mist of dusky clouds

Across the sky.

So beautiful, we needs must hold

Our breath to look at it;

So beautiful—so soon to fall.

And then, as though it were not there at all

It disappears. And one must be

Immortal to recall

If it were real

Or just another daydream.



# The Missing Rib

Robert A. Saar

Life is completely uncomplicated for the prenatal male. He lives within his mother's womb, nourished by her blood and protected by her body. His troubles begin, however, when he is born. Taken from his loving haven, he is slapped on his little rump, washed, oiled, powdered and diapered. Small wonder that the little fellow cries; he must put up, not only with dotting parents, but also with the rough handling and wild baby talk of bug-eyed relatives. Unless he is kidnapped by a family of baboons, he is certain to be immunized, roentgenized and circumcised by the probing hands of medical science. Before they are finished with him, every private nook and cranny is either wrapped up, or swabbed out.

One of the first words a boy child usually learns is NO. This word is his greatest asset against the main threat to a peaceful existence; the human female. His first opinion of the female of the species is probably the most sensible he will ever form; he does not like them. "Girls are sissies" he says. If he could cling to this noble conviction with the tenacity of a bull dog puppy, he could eliminate three-quarters of the problems which would ordinarily face him in life. I suggest the example of Adam, look at the trouble he got himself and us into, simply by not saying no.

Unfortunately the young males' ob-

servations on girls are not in accord with the laws of nature; therefore, during his teenage years, the young male, already up to his ears in the confusion of puberty, is subjected to the innocent looking pitfall called "dating." A "date," or evening out with a young lady, is a very pleasant experience—Too pleasant. The poor fellow may start to like the idea; this is what is commonly called "the beginning of the end." It is at this stage of the game that the silly idiot falls in love. You can always recognize a man in love. He looks somewhat like a beagle puppy that has just seen his first rabbit. He doesn't know what it was that just raced past him, but instinct tells him that he should "take off" after it. Whenever I see a good friend of mine "catch the scent," I frequently wish that God had left the side of man alone during the act of creation. Woman was a rib taken from the side of man, and she has been a thorn in his side ever since.

All of these happenings, meeting girls, dating and falling in love, are in reality, drug laden blows delivered by that little "stinker" Cupid. When the love sick male bends over to pick up the shattered pieces of his will power, Cupid sneaks up behind him, and delivers the last fatal dose. The reaction to this last dose is pitiful to behold. Suddenly our glass-eyed friend can no longer live without "that girl." The drug has taken

over, and "Romeo" is dead from the neck up. He rushes to the nearest jewelry store, snatches a ring in his hot little hands, and finally administers the fatal blow to his own bachelorhood. He asked her to marry him.

Now don't get me wrong, marriage is fine for married men, but for the happy carefree bachelor, marriage can be an ordeal. There will be no more nights out with the boys; the bowling team loses a member; a quiet evening with a good book is taboo, and hound dogs and hunting companions are simply out of the question. The honorable word freedom is now replaced by the decadent title "husband."

The male is trapped, he has been betrayed by nature, bamboozled by women and made unaware by his own silly heart. It seems that as far as matters of love are concerned the male is never completely dry behind the ears.

A few months ago I met a girl, a very simple, ordinary, but personable young lady. I have seen what happened to my buddies. They were "good men and true," but they could not stand against the desires of their own minds. Maybe this young maid has the other half of my ticket; if she does, I may lose my senses shortly, and forget the brilliant observations which I have previously mentioned. That is why I feel I must warn the male element of the impending danger before it is too late.

## One Link With the Past

—George Beyer

It was about eleven o'clock on an April evening in Greenfield, Illinois. Across the broad panorama of the horizon, in the town itself, and over the farmlands that surrounded it the lights were blinking out one by one. Steadily, though so slowly that it was almost imperceptible, the air was taking on the sound of the night—a sound vast, serene, eerie.

Behind a cluster of evergreen trees on the outskirts of Greenfield, a large white frame house loomed in the blackness. Lights still shone from a few scattered windows, but otherwise, the house was dark. For most of the people who called this place home, another day was coming to an end, just as, for each of them, the end of life was drawing near. Some of those who lived here had once led busy, useful lives in the world outside. Now, too old and too frail for that, they had been cast off by their families and friends and left here to live out their last years together.

Bill Foster, in his prime the leading beekeeper in his county, now just another old man in the Old Folks' Home, was lying awake in his room on the second floor. For two hours he had been trying to sleep, but thoughts, like the bees he used to tend, buzzed through his mind. They

were not important thoughts, really, (Bill Foster didn't seem to have many of them any more), but they were keeping him awake.

A sound caught Bill's ears. It was the barely audible sound of a steam locomotive, slowly making its way across the valley, far away to the northwest. The old man heard the whistle of the train. It was a bleak, plaintive sound and seemed to come from another world, a world haunted and mysterious.

Then, as Bill Foster continued to listen, a strange thing happened. The chugging of the train, a moment ago so distant, suddenly was much louder and seemed to be coming rapidly toward him. He was sure he could hear the hissing steam as it escaped, and the whistle was now so loud and so harsh that his ears rang from the noise. This was sound to Bill Foster, though, and his spine tingled with excitement.

Nimbly, Bill leaped out of bed. He leaned from the window, caught hold of the rope fastened to it, and slid down to the moonlit ground. Then he set off, as fast as his legs would go, in the direction of the moving train. He ran past the apple tree with the swing under it, up the lane leading

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## TRILOGY

by

Meredith Williams

1.

The rain falls in fat splats on a stolid roof  
And faint drops float in and touch me hesitantly,  
Carried by a willful breeze beyond their aim;  
But I, defending, cover myself with a porous sheet,  
Safe from their tender attacks,  
And with their shining scars upon my skin, I sleep.

2.

Never will I laugh at one who prays  
For he may plumb the depths of peace,  
The soundings of serenity;  
While he who scoffs Divinity and brays  
At God, can only cower and rage before Infinity.

3.

Many are the whims I'd rhyme about,  
All trite — too trite and over-ripe with self;  
The words I steal and spangle in my brain  
Then brashly promenade, become cosmeticked dross.



# A Matter of Concentration

—William Fravel

Ted and I were never really the best of friends and I was wondering why he had invited me to his house. He seemed uneasy as if he had something to say but didn't know quite how to say it. This seemed strange to me because Ted Brown had never been like that. The last time I saw him he was rather outspoken or perhaps crude would be a better word. But that was more than ten years ago. Many things can happen to change a person in that length of time.

I thought of opening the conversation. I hesitated and then changed my mind. After all, it was his party.

Finally he noticed that my glass was empty.

"Another?" he asked.

I nodded.

If he wasn't going to tell me why I was invited to his place, I figured I might as well spend the evening over a few good drinks.

He handed the drink to me and I thanked him; then we went into the silent routine again.

I watched him closely but he seemed not to notice me at all. He looked as if he were trying to rehearse his lines for the conversation to follow.

At last he was ready to speak. He turned slightly in his chair for more comfort and then he spoke.

"You're wondering why I asked you to visit me this evening, aren't you?"

"Yes," I said.

"I'll explain," he said, "but first I must start a few years back."

From this point on he dominated the conversation. The story which he told was amazing: almost unbelievable. I was fascinated by it. He had rehearsed his lines well.

"Before I left this country," he said, "you disliked me, probably as much as you have ever disliked anyone. I'll admit it was not without cause, so please don't try to apologize."

I flushed slightly from embarrassment but he paid no apparent attention and went on.

"Money has never been a problem to me and I must admit that because of that fact I was no good and probably on my way to becoming an alcoholic. That was all changed, however. It was changed in one evening. An evening which I shall never forget."

He stopped and took a cigarette from a pack and lit it. He inhaled deeply and blew the smoke into the room.

"Shortly after the war a friend of mine, who had been in the army, came to visit me. He had been stationed in the Far East during most of the war. We talked about old times in college and held polite conversation for awhile as old friends do. Then he began to tell me of some of his experiences in Tibet. He told me of the life the people led in that country and of some of the fantastic things they do. He said they are able to do these things because of their power of concentration. Somehow, I knew, as he talked, that I could never be happy until I had discovered some of these secrets."

Ted spoke deliberately but softly. Any questions that came into my mind were answered before I had a chance to ask them. He seemed to have anticipated my every thought.

"I made my decision," he said. "As soon as I made the necessary arrangements I left for Tibet."

"The people there are strange. If they like you they can't do enough for you. If they don't like you they ignore you. I was lucky to find a Lama who liked me."

"This Lama became my teacher and for ten years I studied. I couldn't possibly expect to learn all he could teach me in ten years, but he taught basic principles so that I might go on from there by myself and continue learning. For example: I can now concentrate on a single object for a period of 15 seconds. Some day I may be able to concentrate for 20 or 30."

He paused for a moment and then added, "I think 15 will do all right for tonight."

"This is all fine," I said, "but where do I come in?"

He stood up and for the first time since I arrived I began really to observe him.

During that ten years he hadn't changed a bit. He was tall and perhaps a bit darker than before but he didn't look a day older. The only real change was in his eyes. They were still brown, of course, but there was a certain quality of wisdom, of maturity, behind them that was never there when he was younger.

"I was just about to explain why you were asked here," he said.

"Tonight, I am going to show you some of the things which I have learned in Tibet plus an experiment which I have devised myself."

"I decided it should be you who would be the first to see my experiment. My primary reason, however, is because I want to prove to you that I'm no longer the type of person I once was."

"Now if you will please follow me I have some interesting things to show you."

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# THE DIVINE GIFT

Anonymous

I was born and I will die  
From the first awakening  
of birth to the reawakening  
of death

God's gifts are many.  
Love of God, love of man,  
The greatest gift is love—  
and the love I share  
with you.

From him you are the  
messenger — to me you  
are the message ..... of  
hope, of strength, of love.  
Your touch, your eyes  
..... you .....  
are mine as I am  
..... yours .....

## Meditations On Six Rural Mail Boxes

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because I am the oldest and have seen the most change. I can remember when there were only two of us, Jones and I. We used to get our mail then from a man who drove a horse and buggy. He was a nice fellow and he didn't stuff us full of general delivery circulars as the present man does. Those were the days! Just Jones and I, brand spanking new boxes, receiving all kinds of news for our masters.

It wasn't too long before Clark came along. That was just before the Model T came into use. I can remember the day we all got clipped. It's just as clear as though it happened yesterday. It was snowing that day too, and the roads were slippery. Old Custard (he was the mailman then) slid right into us, KERSMASH! He knocked us all out of kilter and it took him over an hour to straighten us up. Even today you can see the dent in Jones' side that makes a snapping sound when the sun hits it just right.

Then came Diddlebee and Bowen — that was in the winter of '34 when we were completely buried in the snow for two weeks. Can you imagine anything more terrible? Diddlebee's master had gone away and of course a few day's supply of mail had accumulated before the snow came. Diddlebee really was put out, being all stuffed up and cold besides. It was bad enough just being cold. My arm never has worked right since then.

For several years just the five of us enjoyed life watching the world change around us. We saw all sorts of changes in people, too. The little boys and girls who had to stand on boxes to remove our contents soon became all grown up. People became happier and had more money to fix up their farms. The dirt road was covered with a hard top. Cars became fancier and fancier and we received more and more mail. It always makes me mad when they hang boxes on my nose. Noses are not to hang boxes on. I sometimes wonder

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# Week-end Pastime

—C. Kirby Harris

A variety of thoughtful people have sympathetically told me that they think bartending from seven o'clock Saturday night until three o'clock Sunday morning is a hard way to make a few dollars. I've wondered what they would say if they knew I also have, for a few dollars, the job of cleaning the place, mopping and waxing the floor, and cleaning the tables at six o'clock on Sunday morning. Whatever comment might be made would probably be made without considering the advantages of not having as much sleep as the rules say you should have. After having the experience of cleaning up the mess left by a hundred and fifty or so imbibing people, I'm convinced that it is a good idea to have as many senses as possible as numb as possible. I've learned that this numbness is to be particularly appreciated from six o'clock when I go to work, until nine, which usually finds me waiting for the second coat of wax to dry. Nine o'clock is also the time the cook comes in. This cook, though fundamentally generous, never throws out a scrap of edible food. I must admit that his idea of what is edible clashes violently with mine. The breakfast he gives me, "on the house," is usually composed of whatever mature leftovers he is especially anxious to dispose of. If my stomach wasn't numb I would certainly

be impelled to voice my thoughts and return to him, the whole plateful of unappreciated generosity.

I know that there are many who will agree with me when I say that the morning air, before the sun has cooked away its flavor, is the most impressive example of nature's gratuitousness to undeserving man. This is always true no matter what the seasoning, whether it is impregnated with winter piquancy or laden with the zestful, spring to autumn flavors. What a shock it is, even to my numbed senses that are greedily absorbing this atmosphere, to suddenly be smothered by the putrid jet of air that is sucked out of the barroom by the rapidly opened door as I hurry in to work. I go through this every Sunday but I can't seem to adjust myself comfortably to it. Take last week for instance.

After the nauseous shift from the outdoor atmosphere into the fetid staleness of last night's smoke and beer, I spent a moment inventorying the tasks ahead: twenty-four tables to wash. A few hours ago each was a hub for a wheel of revelers, with bejeweled and suited spokes snaking back and forth to its ash try-axis. Just tables now, abandoned, left sticky with overturned carelessness and branded with the black fingers of forgotten cigarettes. The hard old floor looked tired, and I knew it was impatient and anxious to be brushed

and washed. As I looked at it I weakened to the silent appeal of its scarred face and promised, half-aloud, to give it a liberal portion of wax; though I well knew that the happy glow of response my administrations would bring, would soon fade in a devil's tattoo of dancing feet.

Thus aware of what had to be done I turned to the utilities closet to assemble my cleaning implements. As I turned I nearly crushed under my feet, a baby ray of sunlight, that had crept through a little crack in the exit door. As it rested there on the floor, with tiny particles of haziness wafting their way up its tilted length, I thought—how gratifying it would be to expose the whole disgusting jumble to just one hour of aseptic sunshine. Realizing the impossibility of such a delightful happening I vainly tried to ignore the gall and frustration that was wrenching me and unhappily opened the closet door to collect the mops and brooms.

Before I could gather them out and relax into my shell of numbness, one final, morbid thought flitted through my mind. I believed I was willing to do anything if only I could escape the necessity of wallowing in the litter of inconsiderate man, or at least to somehow acquire the inured complacency of my squad of implements; fleetingly I longed to join them as they hung there, by their lifeless, wooden necks.

## Dr. Frieder

Weissmann

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the corner talking to Herr Frieder. Suddenly the Doctor turned, shouted, "Oh zere she iss!" and started charging across the room toward me. I didn't know whether to dash for the ladies' room or grab my nearest handy sandbag. He skated up, grabbed my hand, shouted, "Gom," and back we flew, unmindful of the mutilated bodies we were strewing in our wake. When we were about ten feet from the pianist, he gave me a mighty shove and yelled, "Zere! Issn't she luffly?"

Well, I don't know what Mr. Gorgi thought, but I found myself wrapped around him, thinking that at the moment he had a very "luffly" Adam's apple. That was all my eye span could take in then. Finally we untangled ourselves — he extracted my glasses from his curls and I returned his bow tie. Then to my great amazement, he smiled and said, "She is very charming." "Amazed" isn't the proper word here: "stunned" is better.

Of course Dr. Weissmann wasn't always like this. He was extremely helpful, even to the point of stopping the whole orchestra to explain to me how to play a tambourine part. He's eccentric, yes, but interestingly so, and without a doubt, is one of the greatest persons I have ever met.

## ONE LINK WITH THE PAST

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from his house, into a back alley and out again, then along the dirt road beside the railroad tracks. All the time, Bill was yelling to his friends at the top of his high-pitched voice. It wasn't long before he was joined by several other small boys, and all were running excitedly alongside the speeding train with its clattering box cars.

Suddenly, it was all over. Bill Foster knew it. Once more he was lying down in bed, not as a little boy of seven or eight, but as an old man of seventy-nine. This was not his home in Williamstown, Indiana, the town of his childhood; this was the Old Folks' Home just outside Greenfield, Illinois, where he had been for nine years.

The old man thought, and the thoughts going through his mind were important thoughts to him. The world had changed so much since he was young—changed until he hardly knew it any more. Yet, the steam locomotive — that had not changed; that was the lone connecting link with the happy days of his youth. A smile spread over old Bill Foster's face. In the future he could listen for the sound of that old steam locomotive going past, and maybe, again, he would be taken back to his boy-

## POETRY

—Margaret Zimmer

Poetry is passion,  
True and uncensored,  
Making the white page blush  
At the blatant impropriety.

Poetry is beauty,  
Curiously exquisite  
And delicate, Quickening pulses,  
Making noble hearts of selfish.

Poetry is wisdom,  
Calm and sophisticated,  
Sitting in a maroon armchair  
Laughing at the world.

Poetry is youth,  
Violent, impetuous,  
Flinging itself into uncharted depths,  
Abandoning all for a moment of  
madness.

hood, the happiest days of his life.

Bill Foster got up and dressed himself early the next morning and, holding onto the railing, walked carefully down the stairs, one step at a time. A vague smile was on his face as he stepped across the hall, greeting cheerily a few of the other old people who had already risen. The old man spied the morning paper and picked it up. A headline caught his eye, and the smile vanished. Blankly he stared at the large black type:

RAILROAD NOW REPLACING  
LAST STEAM TRAINS WITH DIES-  
ELS — Another Step in Illinois Cen-  
tral's Modernization Program.



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I followed him out of the room and down a long, half lighted corridor. At last we came to a door. Ted hesitated for a moment as if he were not quite sure he could trust me, and then he opened the door.

The room was much like any room in the house; except that in the center was a large table and two chairs. On the table was a bell, a candle and a strange looking device.

Ted invited me to sit down in one of the chairs and he sat in the other.

"The candle we will ignore as it is merely a means of concentration practice for me," he said. "I light the candle and then look into the flame and concentrate on some other object until I can see only that object and not the flame."

He paused so that I might question him but I said nothing. After waiting for a few seconds he continued.

"The bell, however, is a different matter. It is the first thing I want to show you."

The bell was small, copper colored, and hung suspended between two pieces of wood in the manner of the Liberty Bell.

Ted's voice became slightly dramatic:

"During this experiment, I must ask you to remain absolutely quiet. Even the slightest noise or movement may distract my attention."

I agreed and he began the experiment. He stared at the bell for about a minute and a half. It must have taken part of this time to get his mind set. Then a very curious thing happened. The bell sounded. No one touched it. No one could have touched it. With the sound of the bell, Ted turned his head toward me and spoke. "See what great things the human mind is capable of doing."

I tried to answer, but too many other things were on my mind at that moment. I was trying to figure out how he had done his trick. Suddenly, I realized that it wasn't a trick at all. He had made the bell ring by using his power of concentration. It seemed unbelievable, and yet I had just seen it.

I was so completely amazed that for the next few minutes I didn't hear what Ted was saying to me. I don't know how long I remained in this condition but when I became aware that he was talking to me, he was talking about relativity.

"Among other things, this theory states that mass and energy are equivalent and interchangeable and that physical realities cannot be visualized, but may be represented mathematically in a four dimensional geometry of space and time," he said.

"Assuming," he continued, "that Einstein was correct and that the fourth dimension is a reality instead of a theory, I have devised this experiment. Tonight I am going to attempt to project myself into the fourth dimension through the use of my power of concentration and the aid of this simple device which you

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## Random Verses

—Ellis Martin

### 1 - HOUSES

Passed a house  
And wondered how  
This house could be a home:  
It's windows smashed,  
It's doors unhinged,  
But didn't KNOW.  
Passed another,  
This WAS known;  
Neat and trim,  
Pretty and painted.  
Turned back;  
Suddenly knew,  
And entered the first:  
"Mother! I'm home!"

### 2 - TREES

Silent, calm and still they stand;  
They, like we, find shelter in God's hand.  
What wisdom haunts this forest realm?  
The trees whisper soft, "God's at the helm."

### 3 - THE ETERNAL PRIZE

What is it makes a man superior?  
Is it really his intelligence?  
Or is it maturity or character,  
His boldness, fortitude, or courage?  
Who can answer?  
When we were young it was material things  
Like bikes and who had the most toys;  
Later, it was strength and physical maturity.  
Then came emotional stability against odds;  
Now we believe it's intelligence, noble and pure.  
Are we right?  
No! Man can be superior, not from these,  
But from an understanding of the source.  
The thing that makes a non-superior man great  
Is his drive for honor through none of earth's offers  
And let it be known — we all try!

## Meditations on Six Rural Mail Boxes

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why people are so inconsiderate.

The last of us arrived here only a week ago; that was Yarnack. He is a Russian, but a real nice guy. We ask him about things in Russia, but he doesn't talk much. He just says that he likes the snow when it falls as it does today; he likes the mail and the farmers and all of us; he just doesn't want to talk about the past. Maybe we shouldn't talk about the past either; we do progress so fast. Oh, pardon me a moment, the boys say I've carried on long enough and they want me to finish by saying we think it is better to look ahead for better things than to look behind for trouble. We are just six faithful rural mail boxes.

## WHAT IT TAKES

—Scott Donaldson

Will Bently was a tall handsome lad of seventeen. One day, four years in the past, Will's father decided that the lad had reached an age where he could accompany him on his annual hunting trip into the mountains. That fateful day they boarded the train was never to be forgotten by Will, for there was a terrible train accident in which his father was killed, and in which he, himself, lost his left leg.

Will was a courageous boy, and was continually striving to overcome this handicap, which was an attitude his mother could not understand. Determined to pamper him indefinitely, she actually hampered him. It was pitiful to see the gleam of youth in the lad's eyes as he sat on his front porch watching the activities going on around him.

Will's greatest enjoyment in life seemed to come from listening to his uncle tell stories of his hunting and fishing trips. The lad seemed to have the interests of a born sportsman, although he had never been in the woods. For the past three years he had read every article on sports that he could obtain. His mother wanted him to concentrate on the fine arts, for she hoped that he would, in these, find a career. Will's expressed wishes to go to public school had not been satisfied. His mother had insisted that he have a tutor, the latter being a dry old woman who shared none of Will's interests.

Will's vim and vigor was retained, only by the constant reading of his sports magazines. He would practically memorize every copy that he could lay his hands on. One day his uncle entered Will's house, and found the lad in tears. The boy said that it was nothing, and begged to be left alone. The uncle could see that he was on the verge of a complete breakdown. He went down stairs and informed Will's mother that he was taking him to his home, for a while, whether she liked it or not. She could see that the matter was out of her hands and did not protest.

This pleased Will, for he really needed a change. When he was shown his room, his eyes fell on a beautiful rifle hanging over the bed in which he was to sleep. His uncle informed him, that the rifle had once belonged to his father, and now rightfully belonged to him. Will was thrilled beyond measure.

The uncle spent the next couple of weeks teaching the lad to shoot the rifle. Will learned rapidly, and one night when he went upstairs to bed, he found a complete hunting outfit in his room, and a note informing him that he was to go into the mountains with his uncle the next day. The lad let out a tremendous war hoop.

His uncle had given thought to this matter for some time, for it was not a usual thing to encourage such an interest in a boy with one leg, and

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see here."

The device was very simple. A rubber band with a pin in it was stretched tightly across two pieces of wood. I was curious to say the least. It seemed ridiculous that something as simple as this was going to prove the existence of the fourth dimension.

"Just how do you think this thing is going to get you into the fourth dimension?" I asked, perhaps a bit too sarcastically.

He removed the pin from the rubber band and laid it carefully on the table. He turned to look at me, calmly said, "I intend to pull myself—mentally—through the hole which I have made in the rubber band with this pin. When I have accomplished this I shall, if my calculations are correct, be in the fourth dimension—TIME."

At first, I must admit, I thought he had gone mad, but something in his actions and his sincerity made me feel that I had to believe him.

A thought flashed through my mind. I wanted Ted Brown to be successful. This seemed odd because it was the first time since I had known him that I had ever wanted him to be a success in anything.

Many questions now came to mind concerning the experiment but Ted appeared to be anxious to get it started so I decided to ask only the one which I considered most important.

"Do you intend to pass bodily through that pinhole?" I asked.

"No," he replied, "only mentally. While I'm gone it will seem to you that I am sleeping. If you want some proof you may try to wake me, once you're positive I've had time to complete my experiment."

At last he was ready to begin. Ted asked me to remain quiet again and I agreed.

He sat at the table in front of his device, excited, like a child with a new electric train. A big grin stretched across his mouth as if he knew his experiment was going to be successful.

"Well," he said, "I'm on my way. Wish me luck."

"You'll have it, I'm sure," I told him.

Ted settled down to a more serious attitude. I remained perfectly still. I knew that it would take a minute or two before he could completely set his mind and perhaps another ten seconds to enter the fourth dimension.

Suddenly, I felt that something was wrong. A curious feeling came over me. I couldn't think straight for some reason. Finally, I collected my thoughts and then I knew.

"Wait," I yelled.

I was too late. Ted had completed his experiment. He was already in the fourth dimension.

"Christ," I said. "Oh! Christ, he's suspended in time. Ted's suspended in time for eternity. He has no way to get back. He forgot to take that damned rubber band with him."

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on crutches. He decided that what the lad didn't have in body, he had in will power. They left early the next morning for the mountains. To Will's amazement he found that they were to be accompanied by Rod Green, the editor of "Field and Stream."

They arrived at their destination just at sunrise. This was to be a deer hunt. Will was taken to a lofty perch, and told to remain there and watch for deer. He had not been there long when he saw a deer pass some distance away. Will's heart leapt, and with the natural urge of a hunter he began to stalk the deer. The going was slow and rough for Will, but he kept at it with dogged determination. After about an hour and a half he lost track of the deer completely.

It was at this time that a horrible thought struck him. He had no idea of where he had been. A cold fear began to creep over him. He knew that he was far from his friends, and that he was helpless because of his leg. No. He was not helpless. He had tried never to let his handicap interfere with him before, and he would not start now.

He knew that to get out of the woods he had to proceed in one direction. From his readings he knew that the moss always grows on the north side of trees. He started out using this factor as his compass. He did not hurry, for he knew that he must conserve his strength. It would be impossible to determine how long he would be in the woods. After about two hours, he began to get a gnawing sensation of hunger. Luckily he had plenty of ammunition for his rifle, and was otherwise well equipped for a prolonged stay in the woods. He found a squirrels' nest, and waited patiently for the furry creatures to appear. His patience was soon rewarded, and with one well placed shot he had procured for himself a meal. After skinning the animal, and roasting it over an open fire, he satisfied his hunger. As he

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spoil the broth." Although it may be true that "Early to bed, and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise," I also know that "All work and no play, makes Jack a dull boy," (and his wife a rich widow).

I admit that the sum total advice of well meaning friends and acquaintances plus that of total strangers, as quoted, has me thoroughly confused. Though we "Grow too soon old and too late schmart," I believe "Nothing venture, nothing have." So, while I try to keep my "Eye on the ball," "Back to the wall," "An ear to the ground" and my "Nose to the grindstone," with a "Stiff upper lip" I've got my "fingers crossed."

sat there resting, a feeling of self satisfaction came over him. He was battling with the elements, and so far had been quite successful.

He began to walk again, keeping the same general direction. As he strolled through the woods he noticed that it was pleasant and peaceful. None of the forest creatures seemed to mind his being there, and he realized for the first time since the accident that he was at peace with himself. As he trudged along the thought struck him that he might possibly have to spend the night in the woods, and instead of fear, he felt a sense of anticipation. Just before nightfall he began to make camp. He had read that if one cuts pine boughs, and piles them neatly, they can be formed into a soft comfortable bed. He was soon asleep. Before long he was awakened by something tugging at his foot. When he worked up a sufficient amount of courage to open his eyes, he burst out laughing. It was a porcupine contentedly chewing on his shoe. He had often read of this, and was quite pleased to have this experience for himself. He shooed the animal away, and went back to sleep. The rest of the night passed uneventfully. In the morning he awoke to find the sun shining down through the trees in beautiful golden rays. He had thought that he as this. He took a deep invigorating breath of air and started on his way. He had walked about an hour when he came upon a deer drinking at a stream, and what a deer it was! It looked up at him, and he saw its great rack gleaming in the morning sunlight. He took careful aim. It could have been an easy shot, but for some reason he could not shoot this noble beast. He lowered the gun. "Some day I shall return for you old fellow," he said aloud. As he walked away the deer returned to its drinking. He recalled a stream running in back of the camp where he had started hunting, and decided that he would follow the one that he had just come upon, and trust that they were one and the same. He had followed the stream for about an hour when he saw the cabin in the distance. At last he was back.

He then realized that he had not given a thought to the two men. They had probably organized searching parties and were out looking for him. He opened the cabin door and was amazed to find the two men sitting peacefully by the fire. His uncle looked up. "Glad to have you back," he said.

"Weren't you worried?" gasped Will.

"No," said his uncle, calmly. "I figured you'd find your way back sooner or later."

Will's chest swelled with pride; they weren't even worried. He was a man among men.

"Say Will" said Rod Green, "My magazine has been looking for a good writer who really knows the woods. Now do you suppose....."



# Mansfield S.T.C.

## Alumni Day - Commencement Set For This Weekend

Time, which is rapidly being consumed, is leading us toward a long-anticipated weekend: May 25 through May 28.

Friday will find the underclassmen removing their suitcases, trunks, and boxes from both "dorms" as they leave these "hallowed halls" for the summer vacation.

At 10:00 a. m. Saturday morning, M.S.T.C. alumni will begin to register in the foyer of Straughn Auditorium. As the alumni leave the foyer and enter the auditorium at 1:00 a. m., Alumni Day will unfold into full bloom with an Alumni Meeting. The invocation offered by Miss Mildred Grigsby, '16, Mansfield, Pa., will officially begin the meeting. A business meeting will follow, conducted by Chairman Mr. John Hertz, '31, Harrisburg, Pa.; and recorded by Secretary Mrs. Edna Larson Shelly, '36, Mansfield, Pa. After the completion of this section of the program, the procession of the Class of '56 will occur. When our seniors have reached their seats, Miss Elizabeth Allen, their adviser, will present them to the Alumni Association. Edwin S. Coles, the president of the General Alumni Association, will then receive this year's graduating class into membership. The '56 class president, Robert Terry, will give the response.

A note of entertainment will be provided by the Women's Ensemble. Comments will then be given by Mr. Joseph Frawley, '28, about the Alumni Association. Miss Maryon Farrer, '18, will then offer a few remarks about the Alumni Clubs.

After the introduction of the anniversary classes, President James G. Morgan will greet the alumni. After final announcements are made, the meeting will adjourn with the singing of "Mansfield Hall".

Lunch will be served in the College Dining Room at 1:00 p. m. The remainder of Saturday's entertainment will be: an Alumni Exhibit in the lounge of the Men's Dormitory from 2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.; 3:00 p. m. reunions of the classes of '96, '06, '11, '16, '21, '26, '31, '36, '41, '46, and '51; an Alumni Tea at 4:00 p. m. at the home of President and Mrs. Morgan; and as a concluding event, a musical concert in Straughn Auditorium at 8:00 p. m.

Sunday morning will find our scholastic looking, cap-and-gowned seniors congregating at Straughn Auditorium for their Baccalaureate Services. As Mr. John B. Little, Jr. plays the organ processional, the Academic Procession will begin. At 10:30 a. m., the services will commence. The Rev. John Ross Hays, Minister of the First Presbyterian Church, Mansfield, Pa., will deliver the invocation, read the scripture, and offer the benediction.

The address entitled "Life's Supreme Purpose" will be delivered by Rev. Robert A. MacAskill. Rev. MacAskill is the minister of the First Presbyterian Church in Athens, Penna.

After the benediction, the Class of '56 will leave the auditorium as Mr. Little plays the recessional.

And finally, at long last and yet somehow so soon, Graduation Day will arrive. Commencement exercises will begin at 10:00 a. m. on Monday May 28, in Straughn Auditorium. Miss Florence Borkey will preside at the organ as the Academic Procession moves forward.

The Rev. J. Daniel Stover, Rector of St. James Episcopal Church in Mansfield, Pa., will offer the invocation and benediction.

The guest speaker, Salom Rizk, is internationally known for his autobiography, "Syrian Yankee." Mr. Rizk's inspiring faith in Democracy, born of his early experiences under old-world oppression, has won the warm response from his listeners everywhere. His address will be on the subject "America Is More Than A Country."

The presentation of the degree candidates will be done by the Department Heads: Miss Marjorie Brooks, music; Mrs. Elizabeth Morales, home economics; Dr. Clarence Mutchler, secondary; and Dr. Clarence Hunsicker, elementary.

President Morgan will confer these degrees upon 96 men and women who will then be officially graduated.

Special music for the Commencement Program and the Baccalaureate Service will be provided by the College Music Education Department.

### NOTICE

Watch for Students of the Month for April and May in the September issue of the Flashlight.

## Miss Mildred Grigsby Gets Appointment; Faculty Active

Miss Mildred L. Grigsby, Associate Professor and Supervisor of Grade Six, has been appointed to represent the northern tier counties on the Governor's Committee on Children and Youth by George M. Leader, Governor of Pennsylvania, and accepted by Harvy Shapiro, Secretary of the department of Welfare. This is the first time that the northern tier counties have been represented on the committee. Miss Grigsby, who has taken extensive graduate work at various universities, has served for many years as supervisor in the Campus Elementary School.

Dr. Elizabeth M. Swan was elected president of the Faculty Association (Mansfield State Teachers College local branch, Pennsylvania State Education Association) at a recent meeting. Other officers elected were Mr. Bertram W. Francis, vice president; Miss Rea J. Steele, secretary; and Dr. Clarence L. Hunsicker, treasurer.

Mr. Stephen T. Bencetic, Associate Professor of Art and Supervisor of Art in the Campus Schools, participated in a panel discussion at the recent meeting of the Pennsylvania Art Education Association in Harrisburg, Pa. The topic of the discussion was "Art in the Secondary Schools." In addition, Mr. Bencetic served as a member of the nominating committee.

A World Geography and Climatology workbook written by Dr. George L. Langdon, Professor of Geography at the college, will soon be published by the Denoyer-Geppert Company of Chicago. The workbook, "Exploring Climatic Regions of the World", will be ready by the beginning of the new school year in the fall.

Several members of the Mansfield State Teachers College Faculty participated in the recent career day program of the Cowansque Joint High School in Westfield, Pa. Miss Elizabeth S. Allen, Associate Professor of English, took part in the panel, "Speech and Its Significance." Dr. Richard M. Wilson, Professor and Director of Campus Schools, Student Training and Placement, and Mr. S. Manford Lloyd, Associate Professor of Mathematics, also represented the college at the program.

## Julliard Quartet Performs In Straughn Hall

The students at Mansfield State Teachers College were given an opportunity to hear, in Straughn Auditorium, an inspiring concert performed by the famous Julliard String Quartet of the Julliard School of Music, New York, on Sunday evening, May 13.

The quartet, which THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR described as playing with a marvel of technical precision, balanced sonority and gracefully charming interpretation, features Robert Mann and Robert Koff, violin; Raphael Hillyer, viola; and Claus Adam, cello.

The program included Haydn's "Quartet in C Minor" from Opus 74, No. 1 and Ravel's "Quartet in F Major". Following the intermission an unusually penetrating and authoritative rendition of Schubert's "Quartet in D Minor" from "Death and the Maiden" was offered.

Since many who attended the performance will not again find an opportunity to hear a string ensemble of comparable excellence, the program was received with a maximum of enthusiasm and appreciation. It was truly "an artistic event of the first order."

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## Stilwell and Thompson Capture Top Awards



Edward Thompson

### Thompson Selected Sinfonian of the Year

Edward Thompson today received the Sinfonian of the Year Award. This is the second year the award has been made, and Edward will have his name inscribed on the plaque which hangs in the Arts Building.

A senior music student from Mount Union, Pennsylvania, Edward has served as President of Phi Mu Alpha for the past two years. He also belongs to Music Ed. Club, the band, the advanced chorus, Community orchestra and the brass ensemble.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia is a national music fraternity dedicated to the advancement of music in America. Each senior in the chapter was eligible to receive the award through election of all members except the seniors. Among the qualifications considered were musical feeling, technique, overall academic rank, leadership, cooperation, dependability, morale, and general attitude.

### President Morgan Names New Dean



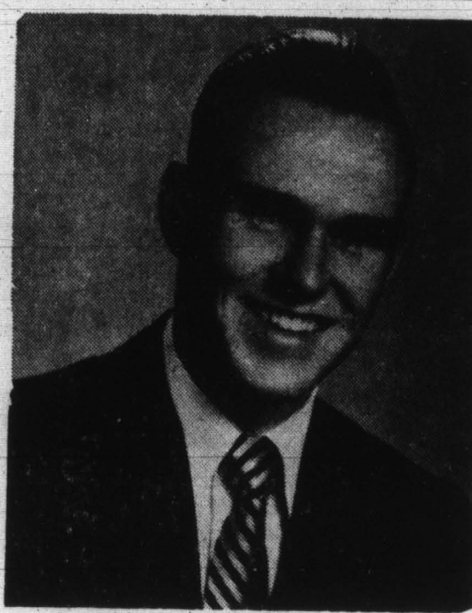
Dr. Harry W. Earley

President Morgan announced at the annual Faculty Banquet recently held at the Penn Wells Hotel in Wellsboro, the appointment of Dr. Harry W. Earley of Edinboro Pennsylvania, as Dean of Instruction at the Mansfield State Teachers College, effective June 1, 1956.

Dr. Earley, a native of Scranton, Pa., graduated from the Scranton Technical High School. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts, Master of Education, and Doctor of Education degrees from the Pennsylvania State University.

At the Edinboro State Teachers College he has been Head of the Mathematics Department and Dean of Admissions. Prior to going to Edinboro, he taught Mathematics at DuBois, Pa. He spent nearly five years in the United States Army, being discharged with the rank of Captain.

At Mansfield, Dr. Earley will replace the late Dean Herbert E. Manser and will assume his duties June 1.



Merle Stilwell

### Stilwell Receives Double Award

Seldom is it that one person has so great a variety of abilities as that exhibited by Merle Stilwell. This afternoon Merle received at the awards assembly two high honors. As Beta Rho Scholar, Merle proved his scholastic ability, and his athletic talent is demonstrated by his being presented with the Athlete of the Year award.

The Beta Rho Scholar is an award given by Kappa Delta Pi to the senior who has had the highest scholastic average during his four years at Mansfield. Merle has maintained a 3.00 average for each semester, an outstanding feat with his many other activities. As Beta Rho Scholar Merle was the featured speaker at the Kappa Delta Pi banquet, April 12.

Another facet of Merle's personality is his athletic ability. A member of the M Club, he has earned varsity letters in football for 4 years, in baseball for 4 years, and he is a consistent scorer on the Phi Sig intramural basketball team.

Each year the Athlete of the Year is chosen from the senior class by the Athletic Council. To receive this award the man must be "a gentleman, a scholar, and an athlete." These words appear on the plaque honoring the athletes, which hangs outside of the gymnasium. Merle's name will be engraved on this plaque.

Merle, of course, is active in many other campus organizations. The son of Mrs. Gladys Stilwell, 135 Sherwood St., Mansfield, he has served as President of the Student Council this past year, his fourth on the Council. Merle is a member of Phi Sigma Pi, Kappa Delta Pi, and M Club. This fall Merle was elected to the Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

### RUTH PARISELLA MAY DAY QUEEN

Ruth Parisella, radiantly beautiful, was crowned queen of the May Day reign throughout the May Day festivities here on campus Saturday, May 5. The eight colorfully gowned attendants, Miss Parisella, and the May Day dancers made an impressive picture against the pink and white background.

Humorous and well enacted was the short operetta presented before the large audience. The long and loud applause was proof enough of a hit performance.

After the baseball game against Lock Haven at Smythe Park, dinner was served in the Dining Room. The "Statesmen" furnished music for the May Day dance following dinner. Many alumni returned for the occasion, and the entire day was certainly a highlight of the year.

### Support Your Team On Saturday

## Student Council Installs Today Awards Given

In ceremonies this afternoon in Straughn Hall, Merle Stilwell, President of the 1955-56 Student Council, turned his gavel and office over to his successor, Thomas Allis. The other new officers of the Council who took the oath in today's program were: Duane Fico, Vice-President; Ninita Stilwell, Secretary; and Carol Davis, Treasurer.

Serving on the new Council will be Robert Swinsick, President of the senior class; Robert Keenan, President of the junior class; Terrence Nailen, President of the sophomore class; Shirley Sandrock, President of the Women's Dormitory Council; Merle Maxon, President of the Men's Dormitory Council; Joan Rogers, Woman's President of the Day Student Club; James Wilson, Men's President of the Day Student Club; Gary Cruttenden, Advisory Editor of the CARONTAWAN; Robert Denning, Editor of THE FLASHLIGHT.

Following the installation ceremony, Mr. Fred Jupenz, assembly program co-ordinator, presented various students awards for their participation in campus activities. The awards and those receiving them include:

**Cheerleader's varsity sweaters and emblems:** Michele Cotter, Ruth Parisella, Margaret Reed, and Virginia VanDyke.

**Athletic certificates and "M's":**

**BASEBALL:** William Dewey, William Farrell, Harold Hackett, John Harcharek, Vincent Siracuse, Merle Stilwell, Richard Wartens, James Watkins, Donald Williams, Joseph Witowski, John Zimmerman.

**BASKETBALL:** Gary Enderle, Julian Gottlieb, Paul Hvidzak, Donald Lee, Joseph Linkoski, Joseph Murphy, William Palmer, Jon Peterson, Vincent Siracuse, William Wichert, Donald Williams, Joseph Witowski.

**FOOTBALL:** Joseph Corney, Jack Denhoff, William Dewey, Frank Dunnigan, Harold Hackett, Joseph Kilheeny, Donald Klein, David Krieg, Arlo Lenker, John O'Donnell, John Ordway, Francis Pecaitis, Cloyd Price, Vincent Siracuse, Merle Stilwell, James Whitmer, William Wichert, John Zimmerman.

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**Alpha Psi Omega Dramatic Fraternity Certificates:** Anita Emmanuel Jacquelyn Gross, Roberta Grundler, Sonia Houck, Warner Houth, Paul Reed.

**Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities Certificates:** Theodore Angrad, Janice Austin, Ima Joan Benedict, Marlene Borck, Joanne Davis, Warner Houth, Edward Lauriha, Joan Ludgate, Paul Reed, Eleanor Stilwell, Merle Stilwell, James Watkins.





## In and Out Of Books

Carlos Gutierrez

This is your literary column. It is a new addition to The Flashlight, and its function is to stimulate an interest in good reading for those who aren't readers and to discuss current bestsellers with those of you who are already aware of the beauty to be found in books. I want it understood that the opinions and interpretations which will appear in this column throughout 1956 and 1957 are subject to error and open to criticism. Objectively is my ideal, but subjectivity is so much more interesting. So with a profound insight into the obvious, I will proceed to tell you about this month's selections.

John O'Hara's *TEN NORTH FREDERICK* is enjoying its 22nd consecutive week among the nation's top ten fiction titles. I just got around to read it, and I feel that it is a truly clear study of personality. There are those who feel O'Hara's popularity finds its basis in the sensuous strain which shades the story, but I have every respect for his treatment of character under many different influences. *TEN NORTH FREDERICK* is the story of Joe Chapin and his wife Edith who spent their lives in Gibbsville, Pa. The story looks in on both Joe and Edith prior to their marriage, and follows them through a stormy and sorrowfully localized life.

Joseph Chapin has political aspirations which he feels can be realized through idealistic, corruption-free means. He bases his dreams on the strength of his Victorian family reputation, his membership among the "old rich" of Gibbsville, and his Yale-initiated law career.

Edith Chapin's only ambition is a selfish one. She wants to "own" her husband, and her desire for his success stems from a self-centered motivation. The marriage becomes deceitful and empty, although to the Gibbsville populous they represent a perfect match. Joseph accepts his unsuccessful fate only when the radical and romantic besires of youth subside into actuality. He finds what he thinks is true love in the arms of his daughter's roommate, who incidentally displays a quality of strength that Chapin lacked. There you have it—the story of an empty man. A man who missed the point in life while presenting a picture of "fullness." Frederick Street houses only the men of means—the men of background, bearing, and poise; how meaningless those terms are in the absence of the greatest quality.

**PROFILES IN COURAGE** by Senator John F. Kennedy is an inspiring collection of biographical sketches. It is a book about the "most admirable of human virtues, courage." It is a book in which John Kennedy points to decisive moments in the lives of eight United States Senators and shows how these men exercised their courage despite popular opinion, despite inevitable defeat, despite the greatest pressure. It is the story of John Quincy Adams, of Daniel Webster, of Thomas Hart Benton and of Sam Houston. It brings out the valorous decision made by Senator Edmund G. Ross, "the man who saved a president." It takes us into the Senate with Lucius Quintus Cincinnatus Lamar, with George Norris and finally with Robert Taft.

Kennedy achieves what all writers strive for—such vivid wording that the reader is actually able to project himself into the Senate—into the person of the Senate. Courage cannot be taught; it must emanate from within!

I have read 70% of all the best-sellers and have chosen the two mentioned selections on the basis of interest to the average reader, sincerity of expression, and inspiration to be gained through an acquaintance with the work. A list of recommended selections from the top twenty fiction titles and the top ten general titles follows:

### FICTION

The Last Hurrah o'Conner  
Andersonville, Kantor  
The Man in the Gray Flannel Suit  
Wilson  
Island in the Sun Waugh  
Harry of Monmouth Maugham

### GENERAL

The Search for Bridey Murphy  
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Spring has officially arrived. It is now the time of year when as the song goes "I hear singing and there's no one there." This tends to create a musical fantasy. And speaking of music, have you ever realized how pertinent song titles can be? "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend" not only refers to the spreading pinocchio craze in North Hall, but also to the traditional symbol of engagement: the diamond ring. Notice! If you wish to establish a profitable business on campus, you need only to discover a diamond mine. On second thought, if you do discover such a mine, you won't need a profitable business. You will have it made. Meanwhile, back at the ranch—or should I say back at The Hut? The Hut has a new sign and is also sporting new drapes, thanks to the sophomore "home eckers."

The engagement of Mr. Stephen Bencetic to Miss Barbara Bencetic has been announced. (Any similarity in names is purely coincidental.) Betty Jean Rex has accepted Robert Killgore's ring. Phyllis Bailey and Dick Jacquish have announced their engagement. Shirley Teribury is engaged to Gerald Brown. Mary Lou Dowey is sporting a diamond from Lennie Snyder, a Mansfield resident. Mary Jane Reed is engaged to Bert Troutman. Notice Joyce Bowman's "sparkler" and then congratulate Ted Wichert. Jack Thomas and Ruth Ann Wodburn are betrothed. Donna Schlegel and Julian Gottlieb are also engaged. Likewise are Margie Noll and Bob Denning. Another engaged couple is Dorothy Leonard and Richard Millitch. Geraldine Eaton and John Kutney have announced their engagement. Jane Backman's ring is from Milton Allen. Mary Summers wears a diamond from Donald Perry, a resident of Binghamton. Kitty Eckert is engaged to Wilbert Conti from New Castle. Carole Gesing received her ring from Erwin Welsch. Joseph "Link" Linkoski has presented Pat Oldenburg with a dia-

mond. Bonnie Daniel received her ring from Bill Bailey. Nancy Morehouse has a diamond from David Stutzman. Ted Hurdle is engaged to Lynn VanDyke, a coed at East Stroudsburg. Ed Babcock has presented Diane Sutton, a senior from Shinghouse, with a diamond. George Yearick is engaged to Pat Graffius from Howard. Paul Reed and Eleanor Miller have also announced their engagement. JoAnne Davis and Sid Williams are engaged too.

Diamonds may be a girl's best friend, but when the soft strains of "I love you Truly" and "Always" fill the air, some girls will readily argue that statement. The recently married Mrs. Carlos Gutierrez is one of the many women who prefers her husband to her diamond. Mrs. Jack Edgerton, the former Corrine Price, is another. Another recently married couple is Donald Lee and Marilyn Shaw. Ed Lauriha and Verna Terchek were united in holy matrimony too. Congratulations!

Then there are those who are engaged to be engaged. In other words, they are pinned. Geraldine Grish has Bill Croman's Phi Sig pin. Joseph "Virgil" Vallentinelli is pinned to Marilyn Simmonds. Guy Kline is pinned to Margaret Keithan. Jessie Ruvo has accepted Ralph Verrastro's hat pin. Joyce Pohl is pinned to Joe Corney.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hess are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Charlene Rae. Mrs. Hess is the former Carol Malkemes.

**BULLETIN:** Everyone be on the lookout. An extremely dangerous disease has hit this campus. It is definitely contagious. Prevention is impossible; the cure is Time itself. The symptoms are numerous and variable: dizzy spells, racing pulse, irregular heartbeat, etc. All or any of these are indicative of this widespread disease. **SPRING FEVER**

Bye now, Barbara Press

## TAKE FIVE

by Ralph Verrastro

As the close of another school year rapidly approaches, one cannot help observe the many changes which have taken place. Whether this starts the political wheels rolling in your mind or merely suggests that the grass is once more green, it matters not; for what I'm referring to are the changes that effect and concern us as veterans. First and foremost is probably the fact that our state legislators have passed a bill granting each Korean veteran a sizeable bonus depending, of course, on length and place of service; this action must go through some more channels, but it seems likely that next year about this time we should be at least planning to channel the sum into our individual budgets.

The Student Government should be commended for a fine job, but as yet the china in our dining room is still the conventional white; however, there have been results along the cheating line, the burdens of which we all have felt.

I was talking to Bob Benson yesterday. Bob, as you know, is quite a philosopher; he tells me that America is still the land of opportunity—"A man can start out digging a ditch and wind up behind a desk, provided he doesn't mind the financial sacrifice."

As most of us know but probably

don't realize, the veteran's lobby in Washington is certainly doing a good job and is directly responsible for most of the benefits we are now enjoying. These lobbies are solely the work of our veteran organization that are dependent on us for support. If you are not a member of any such organization, it might be wise to see Mr. Jupenlaz to find out how to join one.

As usual Cupid is as busy as a bee. Congratulations to Dick Millitch, Ruben Troutman, and Jules Gottlieb on their recent engagement and especially to Ed Lauriha who was married on April 17. Mrs. Lauriha is the former Verna Terchek. Loads of luck, Ed!

**DID YOU KNOW THAT:** The Home Ec girls are so industrious that they are combining sewing with working jigsaws; Dick Harpster was elected President of Phi Mu Alpha; Bill Palmer indirectly received M.S.T.C.'s "Congressional Award"; next year the W.A.A. might recognize pinocchio as a sport; crisp new thousand dollar bills stacked 110 feet above the Washington Monument equals one billion dollars; May 21 is Armed Forces Day and a trip to church would be appropriate in due respect for vets less fortunate than ourselves. See you in church.

## DEADLINE

by russ laforce

(Deadline, formerly Under Glass, wishes to congratulate Al Evans, past author of this column, on the fine job he did this past year in bringing this column to you. It is my firm opinion that you, the readers, should express your appreciation to Al for a job well done. He deserves it.)

Spring has come  
The grass is riz  
Where last year's boy was  
A man now is

At long last it appears that spring has come to Mansfield. The trees are sporting their summer finery and fragrant flowers decorate the local scene. Birds are in their finest plumage and the air is filled with their songs. This tends to alter one's train of thought until it is impossible for one to concentrate on the proper activities of the college curriculum.

Not all of the decorations on campus are of the flower family and not all of those birds I mentioned are

the flying variety. Although all the instructors will agree that a large majority of the birds around M. S. T. C. are diurnal (day flying) it has been my observation that the opposite is prevailing at present. The non-flying birds to which I referred earlier, seem to be nocturnal in nature. The halls of North Hall seem to become a spot about the time the feeding is over and again when the hour of nod approaches for the female of the species. Of course, one can see them near the old oak tree and in various other points of interest, usually dark. Even in broad daylight the birds seem to be perfectly at ease regardless of the situation.

Just think! In three days school will over! Then you'll be free to slave away the summer so you can come back next year complain about the food, tests, noise in the dorm and the  
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# MOUNTS MEET CORTLAND HERE SATURDAY

## Sportscript

—By Bob Keenan

Sometimes it is awfully difficult to distinguish between biased opinion and careful consideration. I do not know how or by whom the athlete of the year is chosen here at Mansfield, but Merle Stilwell is a capable athlete, an outstanding student, and a persistent gentleman. There is no doubt that Merle justly deserves the coveted award which he won today.

But there is another fella—a blond, crew cut little guy who is also deserving of an award, an award I feel should be equal in stature to the one Merle received today. Talk about athletes—boy, you never saw a scrapper, more persistent, hell-for-leather type of ball player. A shortstop with quick hands, a good arm, a sharp eye, a dependable hitter and lots of hustle is a baseball coach's dream.

If there is a finer gentleman in this college than the little guy from Nelson, I am certainly unaware of it. Activity in such organizations as Phi Sigma Pi, Kappa Delta Pi, and Student Council requires prestige and good manners. To handle the gang in South Hall requires more skill and poise than probably any other job on campus—bar none. A job like this must be handled by a guy who will give little and take less; a guy who calls a spade a spade then lets the chips fall where they may. And most important, selection to Who's Who in American Colleges is in itself an indication of the perfect gentleman.

There are probably a few individuals who rank higher in scholastic achievement, but none rank higher in ambition, initiative, and application. A conscientious student who studies hard and earns his grades is an indication of a good scholar no matter what school he attends. Certainly, if all our students studied as hard as the little guy, then all would be a greater credit to themselves and to our school.

So there it is—my description of a little guy to whom this school owes so much. Though this tribute may be small and trite, it nonetheless expresses the opinion of all who know Jim "Benny" Watkins—a guy with a big laugh, a big heart, and a big smile. A ball player's ball player, Don Watkins is truly a gentleman, a scholar, and an athlete.

### BASEBALL SPOT SHOTS

It was cold at the Blossburg game; they had to call the game warden to chase the polar bears off the field—Coach Stelmack was seen behind the bleachers between innings doing calisthenics to keep warm—the non playing ball players turned blue shortly after the third inning and only the warm smiles of the co-eds kept them from freezing—Lycoming's Edgar seemed more interested in Joannette than in the Mansfield batters—John Muto got so entangled with the Lyco's second sacker that he pretty nearly walked away with the poor guy's pants; as it was, he played an inning or two under a Lycoming cap—most of the Mount's fattened their batting averages against the parade of Lyco pitchers; all that is, except Vince who would rather cre-

ate a disturbance in the air. Such turbulence, too—but there was beautiful weather available at Cortland, if you happened to be a duck—only "Spotts" managed to keep dry as he observed the proceedings from the white Pontiac—the infield was more soggy than a cigarette butt in the bottom of a coke bottle—but a man came with a bucket of gas to burn up the wettest areas—pretty good, a gas fire on the hot corner—but Benny came through with some sterling plays on the tricky infield—the new bats didn't help too much against Lock Haven—it was a pretty hot day, though; the Mounts kept fanning all day—Bob Leslie's bat went further than most of the batted balls—Rich Warters lost a couple easy grounders between his feet—ole Diz has nothing on Rich.

I hear that Kay Barron, a local girl who attended M.S.T.C. last year, is having a successful year in varsity sports at Elizabethtown College. She was a defensive standout on the field hockey team and, as varsity forward on the basketball squad, led the team through most of the season. Against Gettysburg College, Kay poured 26 points through the hoop and came right back to score 27 in a victory over Shippensburg S.T.C. Pretty good for a girl, eh what?

The recent State Teachers College Conference, which was held here at Mansfield, had some interesting sidelights in the realm of sports. Two visiting professors took in a boy's intramural basketball game and were very impressed at the amount of enthusiasm displayed by the competing teams. In a few other state colleges, the interest in intramurals seem to lag.

Most of the visiting delegates were surprised to learn that Mansfield is without a swimming pool. Seems as though we are the only teachers college in the Commonwealth without swimming facilities.

Our girl's athletic program also aroused a few visiting eyebrows. From all I could learn, most of the other colleges have their girls competing in intercollegiate athletics while ours are limited to intramurals.

Overall, the athletic program of the other representative schools are similar to ours. Most of them, however, have a different coach for each sport with more than one available for football. And also, they enter teams in a few other minor varsity sports—I understand that this situation will soon be rectified at our school and look forward to the 1956-57 athletic year with a great deal of interest.

The "new look" of this issue's sports page came about through the combined efforts of yours truly and our editor, Bob Denning. We hope to present more and better sports coverage in the 1956-57 Flashlight. If you like our ideas, let us know about it; and if you've got any suggestions or objections we certainly are interested in learning of those also.

## CO-ED CORNER

BY JOANETTE ALBEE

Three indoor tournaments, bowling, badminton, and table tennis, have kept the W.A.A. members well occupied this spring. The only outdoor sport is a small golf club in the making. The tennis tournament, started in the fall, will remain uncompleted this spring and a champ undeclared, for the courts will not be ready to be used.

The badminton champ for singles is C. Gessing; the runner-up and last year's champ, is A. Brittain. Third in place and freshman champ is J. Secondo. The doubles championship title goes to A. Brittain and N. Hallett. Losing to them were C. Gessing and O. Teats.

The upper-classmen's table tennis champ is J. Johnson; runner-up, E. Blowers. The freshmen play-offs are not completed. The freshman champ will compete for the school title.

A golf club is being sponsored by W.A.A. It is yet in the making with approximately fifteen girls partici-

pating. Mrs. Lutes is directing two classes a week and supplying equipment for practice. Trips will be made to the Corey Creek golf course for further instruction. The club will continue in the fall.

The last W.A.A. meeting was the annual picnic at Smythe Park. Barbeques were served, marshmallows roasted; games and relays were played, awards and letters were given out.

### Cheerleaders Receive Awards

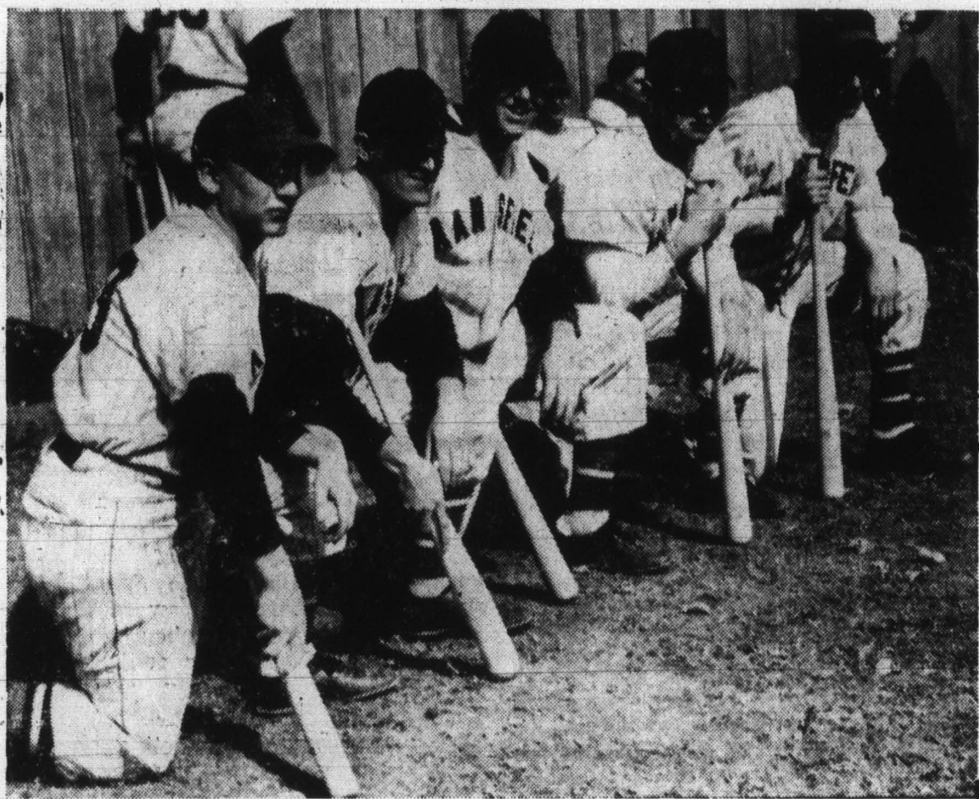
Ruth Parisella and Peggy Reed, seniors, Mickey Cotter and Ginny Van Dyke, juniors and this year's co-captains, will receive letter sweaters for cheering six semesters at Mansfield S.T.C. in assembly, May 22. Peggy Mirocke, last year's Captain, earned and received her sweater last year.

Ginny and Mickey were elected by the girls on the squad to act as co-captains again next season.

## Will Seek To Avenge Earlier Defeat - - -

### Watkins, Williams, and Stilwell in Swan Song

A large Alumni Day throng is expected to be on hand this coming Saturday afternoon when the Mountaineers take on Cortland STC on the Smythe Park diamond. The game promises to be a thriller as the Mounts are seeking to avenge a 6-0 setback suffered at Cortland earlier this season. In that contest, Hal Hackett and Joe Van Earden hooked up in a tight pitching duel which was decided by six unearned runs, largely due to a very slippery infield.



Left to right: Jim Watkins, Bill Farrell, Merle Stilwell, John Zimmerman, and Bill Dewey.

Lined up above are the power boys of Mansfield's diamond squad. They have a combined total of 37 hits, including 2 doubles, 1 triple, 1 home

run, and 17 runs batted in. For the past three seasons, these five have led the Mountaineers in total offense and are consistently around the .300 mark.

## Baseball Squad Records Victory Over Lycoming - Losses Accumulate

Home runs by Bob Leslie and Jack Zimmerman sparked Mansfield to a 13-7 victory over Lycoming College last Thursday afternoon. The Mounts took good advantage of nine Lycoming miscues and added eleven hits to reach their highest run production of the year.

Rich Warters became the first Mansfield pitcher to go the route as he was effective in spreading six hits over the first seven innings. Rich also helped his own cause, hitting safely twice and scoring two runs.

Ithaca College resembled a Phillies minor league farm club when they mauled our Mounts 11-2. By far the most powerful hitter to face Mansfield this year, Ithaca consistently hit the long ball. Only a sensational catch by Bob Leslie saved a home run—and the other outfielders had to move far and often to haul in long fly balls. As it was, Ithaca accumulated ten hits, including two doubles. Bill Dewey batted in Mansfield's two runs but Vince Syracuse had the longest hit of the day, a triple to left center field.

In a two game series with Lock Haven S.T.C. the Mounts didn't fare too well as the Bold Eagles swept the series 8-2 and 13-1. The Mansfield attack was stopped cold in the first game by Ray Mouchan and in the second game by Ron Morgan. The two had a combined total of 26 strike outs, walked only three, and effectively scattered 17 Mansfield hits.

After a near rain-out at Cortland, the Mountaineers did manage to play

seven fruitless innings, being blanked by Joe Van Earden and Cortland 6-0. Hal Hackett pitched his best game of the year and could have won except for six unearned runs in the third inning. Van Earden, however, matched Hal pitch for pitch, striking out seven, walking two, and allowing only six scattered hits.

Mansfield's first victory of the season was a free scoring 11-10 triumph over Lycoming College. The Mountaineers put together ten hits, eleven bases on balls, and nine Lyco errors for their largest scoring spree of the year. Three Lycoming pitchers were brought into the game in an effort to halt the Mount attack but all were equally ineffective. Bill Dewey drove in three runs and Billy Farrell knocked in a pair. Hal Hackett and Rich Warters combined forces to hold Lycoming to six hits, but seven Mansfield errors and six bases on balls kept the Lycos within scoring distance throughout the game.

In the opening game of the season, Bloomsburg copped a cold 5-1 victory from our local heroes. Don Williams and Joy Kwiatkowski were hooked up in a beautiful pitching duel until the seventh inning when a line drive off Williams right hand forced his retirement from the game. Rich Warters came on cold and was tagged for three hits and four runs.

Don Williams, who has been the backbone of the Mount pitching staff for four seasons figures to go for Mansfield. Don will be making his final appearance on the mound in a Mansfield uniform. During his career here, 'Nig' has pitched consistently well having won a total of six games while losing five.

Benny Watkins will also close his college career after four seasons in the inter-collegiate wars. Benny has been switched to shortstop this year after three seasons at the keystone sack, but wherever he has played, Ben has been the most dependable of infielders. And no one has been a more consistent hitter.

Along with Watkins and Williams, Merle Stilwell takes his final fling in varsity athletics here at Mansfield. Merle will be center field when the game gets under way Saturday and figures to finish his career in fine style.

John O'Donnell, too, will play his last varsity game for the Red and Black. 'Yake' has done a tremendous job at second base this year, helping the club both with the glove and with the stick.

Cortland is expected to counter with Joe Van Earden because of his fine previous showing against the Mounts. Coach Davis will also have Jim Powell, who had three for four against Hackett in his previous outing, and Tom Ewlele and Joe Austin, both of whom collected two safeties in the first encounter.

The alumni will be presented with a real treat in what promises to be one of the tightest ball games played on the local field in many years.

## Graduates Take Coaching Jobs

Two of Mansfield's graduating athletes plan to continue their sports careers after graduation by taking a crack at the coaching profession.

Don Williams, who has won ten varsity letters here at Mansfield, has accepted an assistant coaching position at the Westhampton Beach High School on Long Island. He will assist in both basketball and football coaching assignments. During the summer months, Don expects to be a playground instructor in his native Nanticoke.

Merle Stilwell, four letters in football and four in baseball will take up the duties of mathematics teacher and assistant football coach at South Huntington High School, also on Long Island. Merle hopes to find time in the summer to co-ordinate the Youth and Little League activities here in Mansfield.

Lots of luck to both boys!

### WHAT ABOUT . . .

Virgil with a harem?  
Nita Stilwell as a lady wrestler.  
Sam Krieg as a werewolf?  
Ruthie Parisella lifting a ,000 lb dumb-bell?  
Kay Brann as a sniffer in a Limburger cheese factory?  
Mr. Little as a hula dancer?  
Miss Allen without Hans?  
No 8 o'clock classes at M.S.T.C.?  
Louie Lantz with blonde hair  
Fil Bailey with a goatee?  
Dick Dunnigan at the opera?  
Lynette Christ being bald

### Line Scores

Mansfield	320	003	203	13
Lycoming	001	010	032	7
(May 17, at Lycoming)				
Ithaca	000	302	330	11
Mansfield	000	002	000	2
(May 11, at Mansfield)				
Mansfield	000	000	100	1
Lock Haven	301	202	32x	13
(May 9, at Lock Haven)				
Lock Haven	030	000	131	8
Mansfield	100	000	100	2
(May 5, at Mansfield)				
Mansfield	000	000	0	0
Cortland	006	000	x	6
(April 2, at Cortland)				
Lycoming	020	200	600	10
Mansfield	210	300	401	11
(April 21, at Mansfield)				
Mansfield	000	100	000	1
Bloomsburg	000	001	40x	5



The girls receiving athletic awards this year were, left to right: Elaine Blowers, Carol Bailey, and Carol Gessing. Miss Blowers earned a championship medal for table tennis, Miss Bailey earned her medal as a member of the woman's champion bowling team, and Carol Gessing, the best of the girls in badminton.



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**In And Out Of Books**

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Gift from the Sea Lindbergh  
Don't suffer under the misconception that these books represent the best in reading; they merely reflect the taste of the average reader. For suspense get your hands on THE SEVEN FILE by William P. McGovern. For you clowns who want a laugh—you won't be able to put Mac Hyman's NO TIME FOR SERGEANTS down. If THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN ARM didn't drive the point in far enough, Evan Hunter's new novel SECOND ENDING will leave no room for doubt. The book sheds light on a frightening problem presented in a musical background. Read it!

This is "finis" for another semester. Don't waste time this summer; spend it reading.

FLASH: Fifty-two year old MacKinlay Kantor has been awarded the Pulitzer Prize for his best-selling novel Andersonville. Critics proclaim the work "the greatest Civil War novel ever written." It is the horrifying story of what happened at the Confederate Prison Camp at Andersonville when over 50,000 Union troops were imprisoned there.

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**Activities of Campus Organizations****KAPPA DELTA PI**

Kappa Delta Pi held its annual banquet April 19 at the Baptist Church. Group singing under the direction of Phyllis Bailey was enjoyed following the meal. The program also included a piano duet by Gail Kuhns and Judy Smith, a flute solo by Janice Austin, and a vocal solo by Eleanor Stilwell.

First on the program were reports by President Warner Houth and John Zimmerman on the National Convention held at Oklahoma A and M earlier this year. The main speaker was Merle Stilwell, Beta Rho Scholar of 1956. His topic was "When We Are Teaching."

The officers for the year 1956-1957 are as follows:

President C. Jarrett Miller  
Vice President Roger Wolz  
Recording Secretary Marilyn Simmonds  
Corresponding Sec. Virginia VanDyke  
Treasurer Ann Sullivan  
Advisor Dr. Bone

**PHI MU ALPHA**

Phi Mu Alpha held its yearly Picnic on May 12 with Dick Harpster and Barry Vannaucker as co-chairmen.

At the assembly program this afternoon the winner of the fraternity's Sinfonian of the Year award was announced. This award is given to that senior member whom the membership feels has contributed the most to the fraternity and to the college.

At their regular meeting on May 8 the members elected George Yearick to represent the organization at the national convention in Cincinnati.

**MUSIC EDUCATION CLUB**

To end a successful year the Music Education Club plans a picnic this evening, May 22 at the Roadside Rest on Route 6.

Officers for next year are:  
President: Cyril Stretansky  
Vice-President: Helen Chumard  
Secretary: Ann Dickinson  
Treasurer: Ben Truax

**DEADLINE**

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usual crop of verdant Freshmen. Believe it or not, the instructors here on campus are looking forward to this vacation more than you are.

I've heard that the sunburn which some of the girls on campus are sporting is the direct results of pinocle playing on the third floor arcade. Swimming on the arcade is not quite according to Hoyle is it? Well, the bathing suits are decorative anyway. 'Tis better that sunshine, like goodnights, should be limited in duration.

Now what's this bit about a few fellow hilltoppers braving the ice waters of the mighty Tioga. Seems to me their brains are in what portion of the anatomy of first enter the water, unless, of course, they dove in. Cold, ain't it?

I was just thinking about writing a new short story for publication in the Flashlight. It would be a descriptive article on the activities at Coney Island. I thought the title would sound of like this—"20,000 Legs Under The Sea" It's possible.

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**KAPPA OMICRON PI**

A regional meeting was held at Immaculate College, Immaculate, Pennsylvania April 27 & 28th. Representatives of the organization were Mrs. Elizabeth Morales, Mrs. Ernest Jupenlaz, Laurie Eby and Shirley Shreffler.

The last meeting for this year will be May 23rd at Miss Kay Keller's home. Seniors will be honored.

Officers for next year include: Laurie Eby, President; Mary Jane Reed, 1st Vice-President; Barbara Brennan, 2nd Vice-President; Ohnalee Teats, Secretary; and Shirley Shreffler, Treasurer.

At the March 21st meeting new members: Marian Dusick, Hildegard Mertz, Phyllis Ayers, Carol Bailey, Barbara Brennan, Carol Gessing, Marie Kopatz, Laurie Eby and Ohnalee Teats, were initiated.

**DAY STUDENTS' CLUB**

The Day Students have had their annual picnic Sunday, May 20th at Hill's Creek. Each Day Student with or without a guest attended the picnic.

At their last monthly meeting, a suggestion was made and passed that all money left in the treasury would be used to buy improvements for the Day Students' Room.

The next scheduled meeting will be conducted by the new officers for 1956-1957. On the agenda is the selection of the new executive board.

Miss Billings has been advisor for the club. A hearty thanks is extended to her for making this year a success.

**SIGMA ZETA**

Sigma Zeta completed the academic year of 1955-1956, with its annual banquet, which was held at the Penn-Wells Hotel in Wellsboro, Pennsylvania, on May 1. Entertainment was provided by Eugene Watkins, who gave an informative talk on "The History of Folk Songs".

Outgoing president Tom Splain formerly introduced the new officers to the organization. The officers for the next year will be as follows: President—Duane Seymour, Vice President—George Smith, Secretary—Joyce Wilkins, Treasurer—Charles Fickinger, and Historian—Joe Witowski.

**A. C. E. I. NEWS**

A. C. E. I. held their annual banquet at the Methodist Church on April 19. Following a baked ham dinner, group singing was directed by Myra Booth.

Featured on the program were two members of last year's graduating class, Miss Josephine Ascenzi, president of the organization last year, presently teaching in Corning, N. Y.; and Miss Nancy Van Dyke, vice-president last year, now teaching in Canton, Pa. They gave interesting accounts of that "first day" at school, and also a few amusing incidents that happened to them during their eight months experience.

Installation of officers for the year 1956-1957 was also held, and the officers are as follows:

President: Phyllis Scarcell  
Vice-President: Ann Taylor  
Secretary: Katherine Crossett  
Treasurer: Katherine Ann Cauley  
Advisor: Dr. Hunsicker

**GEOGRAPHY CLUB ELECTS**

The following students were elected as officers of the Geography Club for the year 1956-1957:

President: William Farrell  
Vice President: John Muto  
Secretary: Lynne Rummage  
Treasurer: Leonard Brown

The Geography Club recently held its annual banquet at the Hunting Valley Inn at Gaines. Among the guests were Dr. and Mrs. Langdon.

**WOMENS DORMITORY**

At a recent meeting of the Women's Dormitory, the new Council was installed. The new members are:

President: Shirley Sandrock  
Vice President: Elizabeth Maloney  
Secretary-Treasurer:

Margaret Noll  
Junior members: Virginia Hokanson  
Ellen Judson  
Lenore Saxton

Sophomore members:  
Marilyn Christ  
Mary Louise Weega

**COLLEGE PLAYERS NEWS**

College Players held their annual banquet in the Smorgasboard Room at the Penn Wells Hotel recently. Among the guests were President and Mrs. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Long, Miss Jackson, Miss Snyder, Miss Drum, Miss Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Dickerson, and Mr. and Mrs. Forman.

**OMICRON GAMMA PI**

The annual fashion show was presented in assembly May 8. Patricia Najaka, a graduate of Pratt Institute, New York was general chairman for the event. Members of the organization modeled the garments they have constructed this past year.

Carol Birth attended the Pennsylvania Home Economics Association Conference at Buck Hill Falls May 4 and 5.

Senior Members of Omicron Gamma Pi have been accepted into the American Home Economics Association.

Officers for next year are Hildegard Mertz, President; Phyllis Ayers, Vice President; Patricia McManigle, Secretary; and Jean Francis, Treasurer.

Next year's theme and program will be based around "Foreign Lands."

**ART CLUB NEWS**

The annual Art Club banquet was held at Pierce's Hotel in Elmira Heights, N. Y., May 10th.

Greetings were made by Ed Lauriha. The new officers were installed by Mrs. Barnitz. Short remarks by Robert Hinkleman added flavor to the agenda. Mrs. Barnitz and Mr. Benetic contributed too.

The main speakers were Miss Marjorie Brooks and Miss Clarissa Randall. Well-informed on their topic, Miss Brooks and Miss Randall spoke on "Seeing Europe Through the Eyes of an Art Lover".

**PHI SIGMA PI**

The activities of Phi Sigma Pi fraternity for the 1955-56 school year culminated with the annual Founders Day Banquet held at the Penn Wells Hotel in Wellsboro. Dr. George Retan was the guest speaker.

The officers elected for the coming year are:

President: John Zellner  
Vice President: Robert Leslie  
Secretary: Robert Keenan  
Treasurer: Charles Powers  
Historian: Robert Denning

**LAMBDA MU**

Lambda Mu has been quite busy making final preparations for a breakfast which will be held on Alumni Day, May 26, 8:30 a. m. to 10 a. m. at the Mansfield Restaurant. Breakfast will be served to Lambda Mu alumnae and members.

Preliminary plans have been made for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary which will occur next year.

Officers for next year are:  
President: Carolyn Gregory  
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# U. S. Marine Band Performs In Straughn Auditorium

## COLLEGE ADDS NEW MEMBERS TO FACULTY

Mansfield State Teachers College has added several new members to its faculty this fall in various departments, as well as to the staffs of the Campus Schools.

Mr. William J. Gibson, who formerly taught at the high school in Troy, Pa., is teaching social studies at the college and has also been made assistant coach. Mr. Gibson received his B. S. and M. Ed. degrees at the Pennsylvania State University.

Mr. Arthur Palmer will teach geography at the college, replacing Dr. George Langdon. Mr. Palmer received his B. S. degree at the University of Nevada, where he taught before coming to Mansfield, and his M. A. degree at Columbia University.

Mr. Arthur Jarvis, who is teaching both science and mathematics, was formerly at Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pa. Mr. Jarvis received a B. S. at Edinboro State Teachers College and an M. A. at the University of Vermont.

The English department has been joined by Miss Nancy C. Light who graduated with an A. B. degree from the Randolph-Macon Women's College in Lynchburg, Va., and who received her M. A. at Columbia University.

The music department at the College has been augmented by two new members of the faculty. Mr. Eugene Jones, formerly of the Central Washington College of Education in Ellensburg, Wash., is now teaching voice and choral music. Mr. Jones received his B. S. at the State Teachers College of Southeast Missouri at Cape Girardeau and his M. M. at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Georgia Standing, who received her B. F. A. and M. F. A. at the University of Utah, is also teaching voice. Miss Standing has been giving private lessons, prior to which she was on the faculty of Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash.

Mr. John Doyle, of the music department, has returned to the College after one year's leave of absence.

The home economics department has two new teachers, one being Miss Lucy Wall, formerly of Middlebury College in Vermont, who was graduated with a B. S. degree from Radford College in Virginia, after which she received an M. A. degree from Columbia University, the other being Miss Frances Hoxworth, formerly employed by the high school in Dillsburg, Pa., who received her B. S. at Drexel Institute in Philadelphia.

Mr. Stephen Bencetic, formerly in charge of art in the Campus Schools, has succeeded Mrs. Kathryn Barnitz as art teacher for the College.

The Campus Schools have several new members of their faculty this fall. Mr. Leon Schlappich, who had been on the faculty of the Leesport, Pa., high school, has been named the

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## Work and Planning Yield Progress

Both the old and new students of Mansfield have had a chance to admire the modern booths and tables which were installed in the Student Union this summer. In addition to the booths and tables, a new coffee maker and a glass display case for baked goods were purchased.

Through the diligent work and effort of Mr. Stahlman and the Student Union Council these improvements were made. The "Union" still has a few debts which, Mr. Stahlman thinks, should be paid off by this time next year. Donations from organizations and the student body have greatly aided the Union on its way to progress. The extra five dollars the freshmen had to pay this year was for improvements made in the past and those that will be made in the future to make the Union more attractive and comfortable.

## Huge Crowd Thrilled By Exciting Music

America's oldest and foremost concert band, the United States Marine Band, delighted Mansfield music lovers for the third time in recent years on Friday, September 21, in Straughn Auditorium. Two performances were offered, one in the afternoon at 1:30 p.m. and one in the evening at 8:00.

Playing both times to near capacity audiences, the Marine Band, under the baton of Captain Albert Schoepfer, presented a musical program planned to appeal to the individual tastes of its listeners. From the moment the first notes of the opening Sousa march, "The Stars and Stripes Forever," rang throughout the auditorium, until the powerful finale, the overture to "Tannhauser" by Wagner, was ended, the Mansfield audiences were totally engrossed. Other music from the pens of Gilbert, Gould, Holst, Belsterling, Creston, Rodgers, and Rossini was skillfully executed to uphold the universal recognition that the Marine band is not only a military band, but one of the world's leading symphonic bands as well.

Several soloists were featured in both concerts. They were Cornetist Bramwell Smith, who delighted the people with his rendition of "Come Back to Sorrento," and Baritone William Jones, whose voice did credit to "Largo Al Factotum" from "Barber of Seville." Sergeant Jones also acted as the Concert Moderator.

This year the Marine Band is celebrating the 158th year of its founding, making its appearance here more appropriate since the college is also celebrating an anniversary. The Band is the oldest active musical organization in the country having been established by President John Adams in 1798. It continues today as the official White House Band and is also known as "The Presidents' Own."

Sponsorship of the Band's engagement in this community was by the Mansfield Business Men's Association for the benefit of the High School.



Marilyn Melhuish



Gary Cruttenden

## Graduate And Senior Selected For Student of the Month Honors

With the deadline dates of our college publications often occurring prior to the announcements of awards or honors, it is impossible to report all activities in the respective issues. For instance, we find the May Day activities of a current year reported in the Carontawan of the next year. Perhaps three-fourths of the students of the school know the previous year's seniors. With this brief explanation, we would like to make known Mansfield's outstanding student for the month of April: Marilyn Ann Melhuish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Douglas Melhuish of Hallstead, Pa.

Marilyn, a Senior in the elementary course, graduated from college in May, 1956. While Marilyn was on campus, many organizations enjoyed her abilities. Always conscientious, Marilyn limited her activities in order that she could devote more time to each. In her freshman year, she joined A.C.E.I. and S.C.A. Later she was to serve as both Girls' President and Student Advisor for S.C.A. As a sophomore, Marilyn joined the

Art Club and continued a member for three years, the last one of which she served as Temporary Treasurer. In her junior year, Marilyn was elected to Kappa Delta Pi and acted as Treasurer during her senior year. Many festive occasions at M.S.T.C. were made successful with her dependable help. May Day committees, Christmas Banquets, Parents' Days, the Jr.-Sr. Dance, and the more meaningful Religion-in-Life Week felt her helping hand.

This year finds Marilyn teaching at Montrose, Pennsylvania. We feel that she must be doing an excellent job and wish her the best of luck.

May's outstanding student was Gary Cruttenden. Gary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cruttenden of Wellsboro, Pennsylvania. Gary's principal achievement of 1956 was being Editor-in-Chief of the Carontawan. All who have worked under Gary can testify to his outstanding leadership. As a sophomore, Gary acted as Assistant Composite Editor of the

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## Centennial Theme Planned For Annual Homecoming

### 'M' Club To Sponsor Homecoming Dance

The activities of HOMECOMING Day, October 6, will again be climaxed by the ever-popular 'M' Club Dance.

Jack Zimmerman, President of the 'M' Club, reports that the plans and preparations for his club's 11th annual dance are being carried out with a zeal and energy tantamount to that usually reserved by the members for athletic competition, and that all have vowed to make this the best dance ever sponsored by the club.

With such an attitude rampant among these able men, it looks as though the college and returning Alumni have a treat in store for them on October 6, when, under the reign of the new Football Queen, the "Esquires" supply the music.

### Mel Woodard Heads Committee

## Outstanding Events Scheduled

Mansfield State Teachers College's annual Homecoming celebration will occur earlier than usual this year, the scheduled weekend being Friday, October 5 and Saturday, October 6. Inasmuch as this 1956 Homecoming will be commemorating the Centennial Anniversary of our Alma Mater, the activities will be exceptionally outstanding.

## WOODWIND FIVE PRESENT CLINIC AND CONCERT

The students of the Music Education Department experienced a rare opportunity yesterday, Sept. 28, when the Philadelphia Woodwind Quintet conducted a woodwind clinic and concert on campus. Several music majors were even more fortunate when they had the privilege to play for the Quintet and receive instruction in return.

The Quintet, which is made up of first-chair wind players from the Philadelphia Orchestra, came to Mansfield through the Artist Series Program for a concert which was held last night in Straughn Auditorium. However, special arrangements had been made by the music department for the ensemble to spend the afternoon with the students in a clinic. This Clinic consisted of master lessons given by each member of the Quintet and an open rehearsal of the College Woodwind Quintet with the Philadelphia group making comments and offering suggestions.

Individual lessons were also given by the famous aggregation to several advanced music students. These were:

Flute: Jessie Ruvo  
Oboe: Carolyn Gregory  
Clarinet: Cyril Stretansky  
French Horn: Shirley Wilcox  
Bassoon: Donald Snider

The Philadelphia Woodwind Quintet was organized in 1950 and over the last six years has already acquired an international reputation among lovers of Chamber Music. The group has traveled as far as Iceland and was the first such American group to appear in that country. They have also appeared quite frequently on radio and television and have recorded several works for Columbia which have been pronounced by leading musicians as the finest by any woodwind group.

All the members of the Quintet occupy the first chair of their respective instruments in the Philadelphia Orchestra and all are members of the Curtis Institute of Music. They are: William Kincaid, Flute; John de Lancie, Oboe; Anthony Gigliotti, Clarinet; Sol Schoenbach, Bassoon; and Mason Jones, French Horn. Each of them has received the C. Hartman Kuhl Award which is bestowed only on those musicians who have shown exceptional ability and enterprise of character at to enlarge the standards and reputation of the Philadelphia orchestra.

The details of Friday's agenda follow: The industrious freshmen will be decorating the facades of various downtown business establishments in preparation for the weekend's festivities. The freshmen will be supervised by the sophomores under the leadership of their Tribunal Chief, Fred Arnold.

At 6:45 p. m. that evening, the cheerleaders and college band will serve as sources of inspiration at the Pep Rally. After the introduction of the 1956-1957 football team, the students will exhibit their intentions of support to the Mansfield team. As the strains of "Mansfield Hail" subside, the Pep Rally will be dismissed. Scheduled activities will resume at an "Informal Get-Together" in the Hut from 10:00 p. m. until 11:00 p. m.

Saturday's activities will be numerous and varied, beginning with the registration of the Mansfield Alumni in the Second Floor Well of North Hall from 10:00 a. m. until 11:00 a. m. Dinner will be served in the College Dining Room from 11:00 until 12:30. Luncheon price is set at \$1.00 per plate.

At 12:30 p. m. the parade will begin to form in front of Straughn Auditorium. Leading the parade will be the Cheerleaders and college band followed by the Parade Marshal, Bill Thompson. The Senior Class Float will be next, and the Homecoming Queen will follow.

The Mansfield High School Band and floats from the following organizations will complete the parade.

A.C.E.I.: Co-Chairmen Barbara Bush and Sue Greenland

ART CLUB: Co-Chairmen Barbara Malkemes and Bob Benson

CARONTAWAN: Chairman Carol Fitch

COLLEGE PLAYERS: Co-Chairmen Bernard Freer and Marvine Thomas

DAY STUDENTS CLUB: Chairman Marietta Harrison

FLASHLIGHT: Chairman Robert Denning

JUNIOR CLASS: Co-Chairmen Mary Kay Welch and Leonard Yaudes

LAMBDA MU: Co-Chairmen Phyllis Bailey and Gail Kuhns

MEN'S DORM: Chairman Bob O'Neil

MUSIC ED CLUB: Co-Chairmen Barry Vannauker and Guy Kline

PHI MU ALPHA: Chairman Dick Harpster

SOPHOMORE CLASS: Chairman James Besanceney

S.C.A.: Co-Chairmen Lois Cox and

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By Barbara Press

"Friends, Mountaineers, Countrymen; lend me your ears."

The resonance of wedding bells must have filled the summer breezes. I base this statement upon the evidence of the following summer weddings this year:

"Jo, Jo" Homan and Fred Levan  
Jane Bachman and Bud Allen  
Jean Kershner and Bill Ruth  
Jim McPherson and Virginia Spina  
Phyllis Stirton and Bennett Young  
Richard DeGeus and Ada Crippen  
Ruth Woodburn and Jack Thomas  
Jim Wilson and Joan Rogers  
Ted Hurdle and Lynn VanDyke  
Joe Linkowski and Pat Oldenburg  
Dorothy Leonard and Dick Millitch  
Bud Fravel and Pat Myers  
Fred Brace and Myra Booth  
Carol Gessing and Erwin Welsch  
"Kitty" Eckert and Wilbur Conti  
Jane Musick and Dean Watkins  
Charles Fickinger and Jane Parisella

Robert Umiker was married to the secretary in the Dean of Women's office four weeks ago.

Mr. Stahlman's secretary married Robert Kelly. Dick Shaner was also married this summer. Miss Helen Russell, a teacher in the campus Jr. High School was married this summer also.

The following couples are engaged:  
Gary Cruttenden and Connie Er-

way

Jim Jackson and Sharon Kane  
Ivy Carpenter and John Harcharek  
Betty Porter and Bob Petrowski  
Shirley Boyce and Wendell Smith  
Beth Harrington and Richard Savage  
Jane Noll and Stu Atley

Those pinned are:

Betty Gillett and Dan Hallet  
Lenora Saxton and Melvin Woodard  
Ann Mosher and Jack Denhoff  
Marge Drissell and Paul Hvidzak  
Elsie Wierich and Bob Hinkleman  
Russell La Force and Phyllis Henninger  
Mary Morgan and Rudolph Strekel

Recent "Mamas and Papas" are:

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lee (the former Marilyn Shaw).—A baby girl named Dixie.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Miles (the former Ginnie Culkins).—A baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baron.—A baby girl.

But all news isn't good news. John Ordiway was injured when a pipe fell upon his head, requiring several stitches. Dick Earley was seriously injured in an automobile accident, and I'll wager he'd appreciate some letters and cards. He's at the Arnot-Ogden Hospital in Elmira, N. Y.—Well, see you next month with the latest news!

## In and Out Of Books

Carlos Gutierrez

As a new semester begins, we all face certain strange responsibilities. Some of us, just fresh from our high school days, wait eagerly, possibly fearfully, to find out what this "college business" holds in store. Others look forward to teaching next year, and they, even though this is their final school year, are a bit shaky too—wondering whether their supervisors will "approve of their methods." Whatever our case may be, we need confidence, persistence, and strange as it may seem—a little diversion.

Your author feels that his department may for some fall under the heading—diversion. This column will be devoted during the remainder of the year to literary interests. It will contain book reviews, references to good reading of all kinds, and even guide you to certain spectacular and pertinent T. V. productions. The end which the little man behind the pen serves, is to stimulate an interest in reading—so stick with us in future months, and good luck to you all!

This month's selection (limited space only allows a mere mention) is A. J. Cronin's "A Thing of Beauty." This thoroughly absorbing story concerns an Englishman with a French name who, determined and dedicated to a life of painting, defied his father, broke tradition, and even turned his back on his country. Stephen Desmond, sensitive and fiery at the turn of the century, broke from the career of his father's wishes, that of a churchman, and went to the continent to study with the artists. He has been called an uncompromising genius. The book meets Desmond as a youth and follows him to an early death. He weaves in and out of love, in and out of the art world of the Bohemians, in and out of a traveling circus, through the World War I years in Spain, into serious trouble with the authorities of his home town and finally to a soothing, tender love.

The N. Y. TIMES finds Cronin's eighth best seller since 1930 "One of the most moving novels of the year." Cronin's mastery of the sensitive personality makes Desmond—almost real!

Make this year a profitable one by gleaming some of the wealth to be found in reading.

## Freshman Activities

Mountaineer Day climaxed the activities scheduled for Freshmen with a pep rally and parade today. It also brought an end to their three day initiation and proclaimed them as true members of the Centennial Class of 1960.

The Freshmen had previously been swept up in a host of other activities. Their first night on campus they were entertained at a Get Acquainted Party. After a tour of campus on Monday, September 18, they were guests at a picnic supper and dance in Student Center. Local ministers met with the new students on Thursday evening and introduced them to the religious life at Mansfield. Another picnic sponsored by S.C.A. was held Saturday afternoon, September 22, in Smythe Park. The semi-formal Faculty Reception that evening brought a pleasant end to their first week on campus.

The Big and Little Sister Tea was held Sunday afternoon, September 16 in the College Dining Room. It provided an excellent opportunity for the Freshmen girls to become better acquainted with the Deans and Junior girls.

A transformation appeared on campus September 27 when every Freshman was seen wearing a beanie, opening doors for upperclassmen and singing the school songs in between classes. Freshmen initiation was also greeted by happy smiles and neatly dressed Freshmen men complete with sign, tie and shirt. The campus was given a thorough cleaning that afternoon by the initiates. Compulsory attendance was required at the pep rally and dance on Friday evening. Winding up with a fun night in the Student Center tonight the Freshmen Activities will draw to a close.

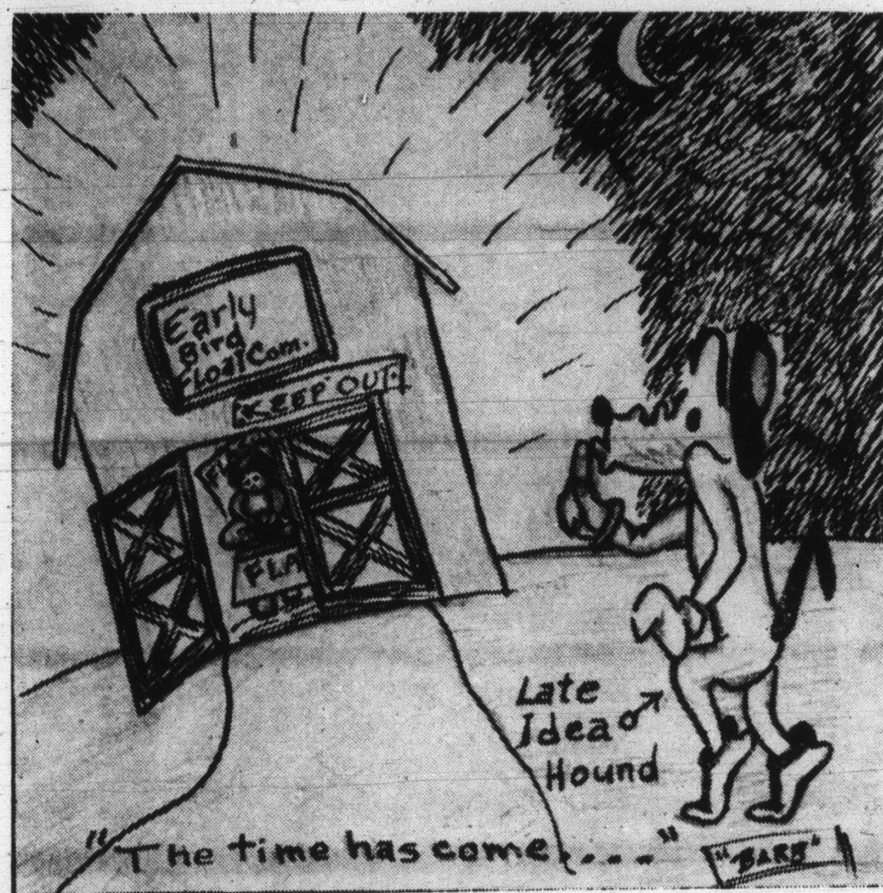
## WHY TAKE TIME . . . ?

What is time? Philosophers, past and present, have cogitated deeply on this question.

One philosopher gives his opinion of the question, what is time, by saying, "Time, more than anything else, has the greatest potential for speed in the entire world of human comprehension." He went on to say that "At times it has even been known to fly." Out of this philosophy has evolved a term familiar to all of us. It is amazing that this man's entire philosophical thought concerning time, about which he has written numerous formidable papers, has been embodied and condensed into two words: "Time flies."

The question whether one has time or whether one has not time comes up many times at Mansfield. The philosophers at Mansfield, like all philosophers ancient and present, contradict each other. One may say, "I have time," and the other might say, "I do not have time."

When you are asked to help on some project, for example a homecoming float, don't reply with the negative interpretation . . . take time now, because it does move fast.



## TAKE FIVE

by Ralph Verrastro

Once again it is my pleasure to attempt to bring news of interest to veterans on our campus. It is encouraging to note that our group now constitutes one-seventh of the total enrollment, which is over 700 students.

Perhaps the big thing on everyone's mind is the State Bonus which we are all anticipating, but since the bill was passed last spring, there have been no developments, which is, at any rate, better than unfavorable ones. If I may make a prediction, I sincerely believe we will receive this benefit by the end of the school year. I am glad to report that the "War Orphans Education Assistance Act" has been passed and money appropriated for the education (for 30 months) of 156,000 orphans of persons who died from service-connected injuries or diseases incurred in World War I, World War II, or the Korean War. If you yourself fall into this benefit, or know anyone who does, it would be wise to consult Mr. Jupenlaz at his office.

Along lighter lines, I'm wondering who, besides myself, has noticed the change in Bob Benson this year. Seems that Bob had a summer job that affected him quite adversely;

you see, Bob worked as a lion tamer and is having a hard time readjusting to college life.

Anyone seen Nick Smeltzer around? Well probably not, for Nick is now at Fort Dix in his second week of basic training. I guess we can all remember a similar experience.

To you who worked on construction this summer, this will not be news; but it's a fact that the modern trend in two car garages is "His" and "Hers" (Hers being two feet wider).

Congratulations to Dick Millitch and Bud Fravel who were married over the summer. The best of luck, guys.

Mr. Jupenlaz tells me that his doors are open, and he will be glad to help any of us who need advice or information concerning our association with the Veteran's Administration.

### Fashion tip.

Gather up all your old Khakis and see your tailor! By sewing your old belts on the rear, you can achieve the ultimate in college dress; that is, if you want to be in style. Funny, I don't think Khakis could ever be the ultimate.

See you in church.

## DEADLINE

by russ laforce

He never heard me when I told him that she was something to be handled with care and careful consideration. Her beauty and carriage seemed to capture the eyes of everyone within sight of her. Her manner was above reproach. It took only one glance in his direction to send his hopes and wishes soaring to a record high. He was drawn to her, and I could see that he was gone.

He never heard me when I tried to call him back before it was too late. Only his thoughts and his actions were in any way positive as he approached what I knew to be certain destruction. It was love at first sight, and in no way could I interfere. I

was helpless.

He never heard me when I tried to dissuade him from crossing the busy thoroughfare as he kept his fateful rendezvous. Only his senses guided him as he plodded steadily onward.

He never heard me as I screamed when the auto bore down upon him while he was still in the middle of the street. A squeal of rubber on pavement and the solid thud of a body being struck told me that it was all over.

He never heard me as I bent over his broken body and tried to talk the little life left into a steadier flame.

He never heard me, but why should I worry? He wasn't MY dog!

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# FOOTBALL OPENER WITH BROCKPORT TODAY

## Sportscript

By Bob Keenan

Mansfield State Teachers College schedules intercollegiate athletic contests in three major sports—football, basketball, and baseball. In the two years that I have been here, the sporting representatives of our school have compiled an overall record of 18 victories and 47 defeats in these athletic contests. Obviously this record is not too good. We students here at Mansfield deserve something better.

It would be extremely difficult to pin point any one reason why our athletic program is in such sad shape. It's always easier to sit back and criticize than to take action in a positive direction. However, a critical review of the past and predictions of the future seem to be in order at this time—the beginning of a new athletic year.

The 1954 football season contributed two victories to our grand total. Our gridirons defeated Millersville and Kutztown that year and tied another with Lock Haven. Otherwise the season was a dismal one as all the other games were lost in the worst fashion.

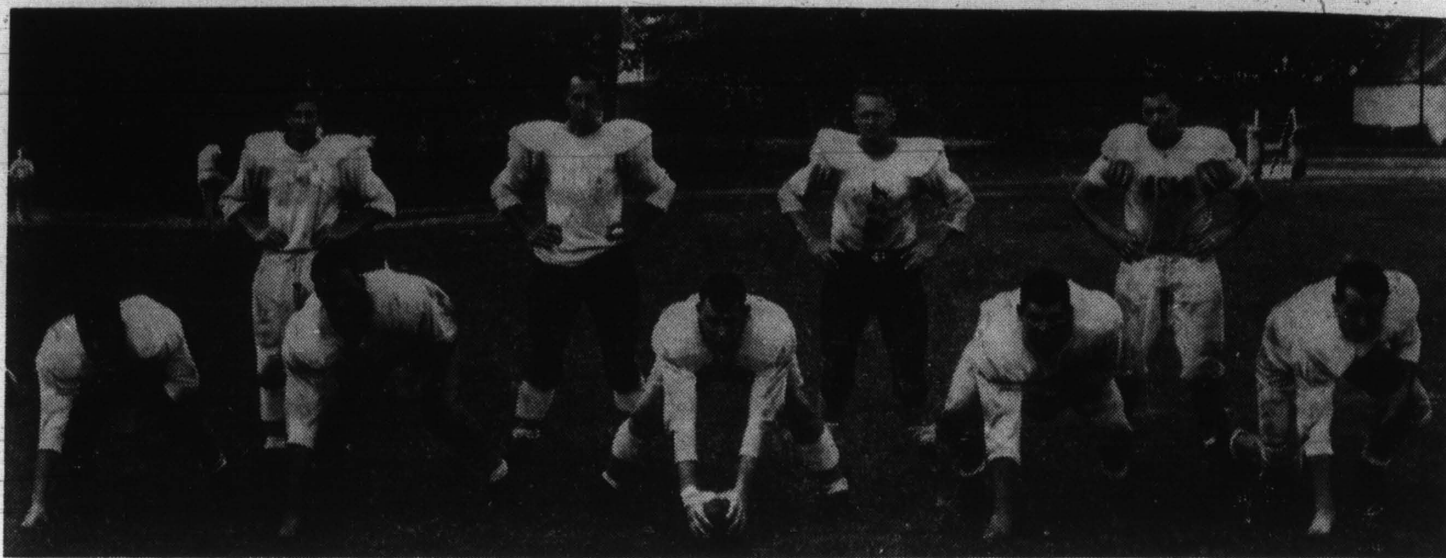
What was wrong in 1954? Well, to begin with, injuries plagued the team—and there wasn't too much reserve strength. We lost the head coach about midseason which probably was the biggest reason for the poor showing. Individually a few players stood out but generally the team lacked hustle.

Last year's football team was even worse as far as the won-lost record was concerned. Our gridiron forces were able to win only one game while dropping six. Only our annual cousins, Kutztown, fell before the Mountaineer grid machine—and this year we don't even play Kutztown.

A won-lost record, however, does not tell a complete story. To be sure, a lost ball game is a lost ball game. The better team usually wins. But when we compare the final scores of the 1954 games to those of 1955 a new story appears. In 1954 one game was lost by two touchdowns; the others were lost by three or four touchdowns. Last year, four of the six Mansfield defeats were by a slim one touchdown margin.

Coach Stelmack was at a disadvantage when he first arrived last year. He inherited a new group of players with whom he had no previous experience. Worst of all, he was faced with a schedule which put the toughest teams as the first and second opponents of the season. The Bloomsburg game was disastrous BUT AFTER THAT MANSFIELD WAS NEVER OUT OF A BALL GAME UNTIL THE FINAL GUN WAS SOUNDED. Which means that our 1955 football squad was a lot better than the won-lost record indicates.

This year things should be different. Coach Stelmack is on familiar ground. He knows his ball players and he knows he has some good ones. A veteran team is always tough and the Mounts are loaded with



Pictured above are the nine gridirons who will begin their last campaign of intercollegiate football today. Back row: Price, Palmer, Zimmerman, and Syracuse. Front row: Dewey, Wichert, Witowski, Hackett, and Klein.

lettermen. With the backfield of Zimmerman, Syracuse, White, and Kreig, Coach Stelmack has speed. With Klein, Hackett, Witowski, Wichert, and Dewey on the line he is strong offensively and defensively. The bench strength is better this year than it has been in years. Guys like Leslie, Hvizdak, Moore, Price, and Merlie should see plenty of action.

Coach Stelmack has the practice sessions going along at a steady pace—the team should be in shape for today's opener. The coach knows only too well that football games are not won on Saturday afternoons—they are won during the daily practice grind. It takes lots of hard work to win a football game. Coach Stelmack is a firm believer in both.

And according to the crystal ball, this should pay off in Mansfield's first winning season in many moons. Basketball is of course a long way off. But with four of the starting five back and a new coach to lead them, it, too, looks like a very successful season.

Baseball is probably the most sorry of all varsity sports here at Mansfield. Only a miracle could pull it out of the doldrums.

### WRESTLING

It was learned recently that the administration of the college is seriously considering the addition of wrestling to our varsity sports program. Wrestling has become one of the major sports in the surrounding areas which should be conducive to arranging a fair schedule. Whether or not a varsity program will be set up the first year, however, is doubtful.

There was some talk a few years ago of inaugurating wrestling but too few athletes seemed interested. With our increased enrollment plenty of candidates should be available.

Coach Stelmack has attended several meetings in Williamsport concerning this wrestling program and will coach the sport if it is begun.

### JUST A THOUGHT

Because intramural basketball has been such a success in recent years, I sometimes feel that maybe we should initiate a few other intramural sports to fill in the time not used for basketball.

## CO-ED CORNER

BY JOANETTE ALBEE

Hi Frosh and Nurses! Welcome to M.S.T.C. Hello to you upperclassmen! It is good to see those of you who made it back this year. For the benefit of the newcomers, the CO-ED CORNER is mainly for and about you gals interested in sports on this campus.

The W.A.A., short for Women's Athletic Association, offers all types of recreation throughout the year. Being that membership is for "females only," it may make you girls think it a drastic situation. The mere fact that it is the largest organization on campus should prove its popularity.

The first W.A.A. meeting is October 3. Instead of the regular business meeting, it will be a Freshman gathering welcoming all the girls to Mansfield and inviting you to become a member.

Besides the various intramural tournaments throughout the year, W.A.A. plans a huge Christmas party, gives Welfare gifts to needy children, has a card selling project, and closes with a picnic in the spring.

The tournaments soon to begin are softball and volley ball. Get your teams together, and watch for further notices on the W.A.A. bulletin board in North Hall's third

floor well.

You may have noticed the official W.A.A. charcoal gray blazers worn by many upperclassmen. You too, may earn the right to have one. This is done by using a point system which will be explained to you at the October 3 meeting. Letters and keys are also earned.

Officers for the 1956-57 season are Sue Clark, a senior Home Ecker, as president, and Ann Mosher, a secondary student, vice-president. Teddy Simons is treasurer, and an elementary sophomore, Secretary Janet Kneiss, is a junior elementary student.

**CHEERLEADERS:** By now most have had the chance to see the M.S.T.C. cheerleaders in action. Again, introducing themselves are Ginny Van Dyke and Mickey Cotter, co-captains of the squad and elementary seniors. Joannette Albee is an elementary student and the only junior. The four remaining girls are sophomores. Jeanette Secondo is secondary. Carolyn Downer, Nita Stilwell, and Joanne Warner are majoring in elementary.

The girls are depending on all students to give out with their moral support, not only at the games but at the pep rallies as well.

## Nine Veteran Gridirons Comprise Bulk of Team in Game Today

Today Mansfield S.T.C. unveils its 1956 edition of gridiron heroes. Among the squad are nine veterans of many football seasons.

Vince Syracuse—the fastest man on the squad, figures to have his best season. Especially effective in the left half back slot; was Mansfield's most consistent ground-gainer last year, Vince has already earned five varsity letters, will probably earn three more.

Jack Zimmerman—a dependable T-quarterback playing his fourth season of varsity football; Jack looks better than ever, handles most of the passing chores and will probably do some kicking; very alert in calling the most effective plays. A quarterback who can run.

Bill Dewey—a steady end with quick hands; especially effective on offense. A hard worker always seeking improvement, Bill will see plenty of action.

Hal Hackett—a hard charging tackle who's been around. Line play is no picnic; takes quick thinking to outmaneuver the opposition. Hal's a fixture on the forward wall.

Joe Witowski—can move for a big man, capably fills the center of the line. Our best line-backer, a sure bet to play full time.

Ted Wichert—capably fills the other tackle slot. A big man who can close the noles; moves quick for his 220 pounds.

Don Klein—the big end of the squad, takes out the key men on plays around end. Efficient defensively; good hands, strong arms. A veteran who does a tremendous job.

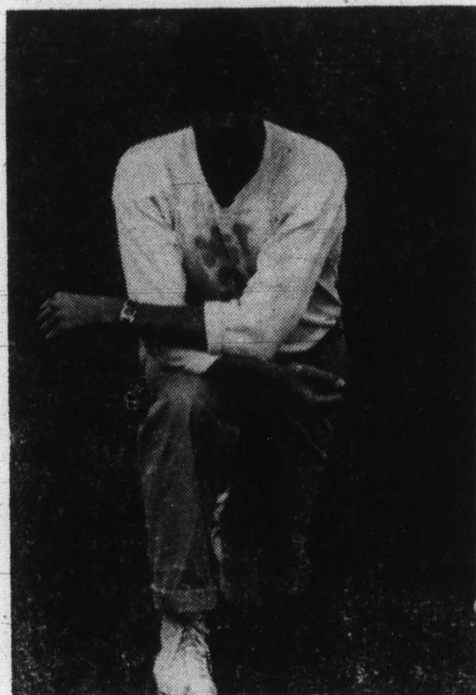
Bucky Price—a little guy who does a big job; at his best on defense, tackles crisp and hard. Calls plays part-time and does a good job.

Bill Palmer—a jack-of-all-positions, fills in wherever needed. Plays hard, loves sports.

coach Hal Griffith lead State College high to the Class A quarter final playoffs. And during the three years he was there, State College High won 85% of its ball games.

Coach Gibson came to Troy High School during the 1955-56 academic year. At Troy he served as head basketball and track coach. He led his varsity basketball squad to second place in the Roosevelt Trail League and won the Mansfield Invitation Tournament Class B Championship.

Mrs. Gibson has high hopes for the coming athletic year. He is enthused and much impressed by the attitude of the football squad. And according to his qualifications and background, this should be a winning year for Mansfield.



William Gibson

## Mr. William Gibson Added To Staff

Varsity athletics will get a big lift this year with the addition of Mr. William Gibson to the M.S.T.C. coaching staff. He will assist Coach Stelmack in football and will take over as head mentor during the basketball campaign. Aside from coaching, Mr. Gibson will serve as assistant professor of social studies.

Mr. Gibson hails from Donora, Pennsylvania, a town which has produced many outstanding athletes. While attending Donora High School, he starred in both basketball and baseball. He continued his athletic career while serving in the U.S. Army Signal Corps, being a member of a strong Ft. Dix outfit and later starring for the Camp Polk cagers.

After being discharged from the Army in 1947, Coach Gibson enrolled in Waynesburg College where he played varsity basketball and baseball. The following year he transferred to Pennsylvania State University where he won a starting assignment on the varsity basketball squad.

Mr. Gibson received his B. S. and M. Ed. degrees from Pennsylvania State University.

His coaching career began at State College High School where he worked as assistant basketball coach and head track coach. He assisted head

## Mounts Renew Series with Old Rivals

Mansfield S.T.C. uncaps the football lid today against Brockport. Not much is known about the "56" Brockport team. Last year Brockport had a record of two wins against five defeats.

Mansfield's record last year was an unimpressive one win against six defeats, but the boys are confident it will be better this year. Mansfield's record with Brockport for the past 10 years has been two wins and one loss. The Mountaineers shoved Brockport all over the field in 1947 beating them by a score of 48-0. In 1950 the Mountaineers came out on the short end, as Brockport squeezed by: 13 to 12. The year after, 1951, M. S.T.C. came back with a 14 to 7 victory. The game will start at 2:00 p. m. this afternoon at Smythe Park. A large crowd is expected for the opener. The boys seem to be in fine shape and in high spirits. This first game promises to be a thriller.

On Homecoming Day, October 6 King's College Monarchs will be on hand to try their best against the Mountaineers. Last year Kings pulled the game out of the fire in the last quarter on an intercepted pass and a 55 yard run to win 13 to 6. The Mountaineers, however, are out to make Homecoming Day, a big success. So let's be on hand to root for the home team.

On October 13 Mansfield travels to Bloomsburg for their first game away from home. Last year Bloomsburg dropped the Mountaineers 27-6. By the way the team is shaping up this year; the score is going to be changed, and the breaks of the game are going to determine the outcome.

The East Stroudsburg Warriors edged the Mountaineers last year 20 to 13. This will be the second game on foreign soil for the Mountaineers. The Mountaineers have decided to teach Stroudsburg how the game is played.

This year promises to be a great one, with a record at the end to surpass last year's by far. In the past ten years the records with Kings, Bloomsburg, and East Stroudsburg are: Mansfield 0 wins 5 losses; 1 win 8 losses; 1 tie, 8 losses respectively.

## FLASHLIGHT TO BEGIN

### ATHLETE OF MONTH

This coming season, The Flashlight will feature monthly, an article honoring the athlete or athletes who contribute the most to the success of his team on the field of sport.

The recipient of this award will be titled Athlete of the Month. The means by which the athlete will be judged are: sportsmanship, teamwork, and other deeds that warrant praise.

The athlete will be given a personal interview; thus a complete rundown will be given on his athletic background, other data, such as: hometown, coach, previous experience, future plans, etc.

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## DAY STUDENTS NEWS

The Day Students Organization has increased greatly this year to a total of 211. Of the 158 men, there are 30 new freshmen. Of the 63 women, twenty-one are incoming freshmen. The club would like to welcome everyone, old and new, back to Mansfield.

Presently the big project in the list is the preparation for Homecoming Day. Chairman of the float committee is Marietta Harrison. Working with her are: Fred Smith, Dick DeGeus, Lois Francis, Jean Francis, Judy Marshall, Mary Lee McClure, Louise Olarrison and Donald Hess.

Mr. Edward Stelmack, Assistant Dean of Men and Coach, is the new Co-Advisor. The Student Union Council representative is Jim Wilson.

## LAMBDA MU

Lambda Mu is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. In observance of this, a busy program is being planned.

For the first time in several years, Lambda Mu will have a float in the Homecoming Parade. Also for that weekend, the annual tea for women music students, faculty, and alumni will be held.

Tentative plans are being made for other ways of celebrating their silver anniversary.

## COLLEGE PLAYERS

The first College Players meeting of the new year was held Tuesday, September 18, at 7:30. The guest speaker was Miss Allen, who discussed basic fundamentals of dramatics. The fall play is to be "January Thaw" and will be presented on November 16. The play has been cast and the committees selected. Tryouts for College Players will be on October 8, 9, or 10. Tryout regulations will be posted. Anyone wishing to be a member of College Players or backstage crew simply write a letter to the president of this organization.

Alpha Psi Omega will meet one half hour preceding each regular College Players meeting.

Bernard Freer is Chairman of the College Players float committee for Homecoming Day.

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## Add Faculty

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principal of the Campus Elementary School, Mr. Schlappich received his B. S. degree at Kutztown State Teachers College and his M. A. degree at the University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Jack M. Wilcox, formerly of Radio City Music Hall in New York, is now teaching music in the Campus Schools. Mr. Wilcox received his B. S. from Mansfield State Teachers College and his M. M. from the University of Michigan.

The teaching staff of the Campus Junior High School has been augmented by three other new teachers. Thelma Ching, who formerly taught in Honolulu, Hawaii is teaching English and Science. Miss Ching received her B. A. from Malcaster College and her M. Ed. from the Pennsylvania State University.

Mr. Alfred Kjelgaard, who is teaching math, had been at the high school in Covington. Mr. Kjelgaard graduated from Mansfield with a B. S. degree, following which he received an M. Ed. degree at Penn State.

Mrs. Rita S. Woodall, who is teaching home economics, received her B. S. and M. Ed. degrees from Penn. State. Mrs. Woodall formerly taught at the West Reading, Pa. high school.

## Student of the Month

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Carontawan.

Gary, who is at present among the ranks of the lofty seniors and who is kept busy between student teaching and college classroom work, finds time to be advisory editor of the Carontawan and to serve as a member of the Student Council.

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## Annual Homecoming

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FRESHMAN CLASS: Chairman: Donna Soper

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PHI SIGMA PI: Co-Chairmen John Zellner and Skip Fiocca

Possibly GEOGRAPHY CLUB

These floats will be registered in one of two divisions—novelty or artistic. The coveted awards are miniature replicas of the water tower and the tower clock. The former is presented to the winning entry in the novelty division, while the latter is given to the winner in the artistic division. As yet, judges have not been selected.

The parade will move promptly at 1:00 p. m. It will follow College Avenue to Elmira Street. Turning west to Main Street, it will progress to Smythe Park where the floats will circle the field. After the band plays "Mansfield Hail" and "The Star Spangled Banner", Robert Swinick, the senior class president, will make a few statements before the coronation of the 1956 Homecoming Queen. At 1:45 p. m. Miss Peggy Mirocke, the reigning queen, will crown the new Football Queen.

The football game—Mansfield vs. Kings College—will begin at 2:00 p. m. Admission, including tax, will be \$1.00. After the game the Lounge Room in South Hall will be the scene of informal social events for faculty, students, alumni, and guests.

The week-end will be concluded with the annual "M" Club Dance in the Gymnasium. The Football Queen will reign supreme.

Credit must be given where credit is due; consequently, credit should be extended to the 1956 Homecoming Committee, Melvin Woodard is the General Chairman and the Committee Members are:

Cyril Stetansky—Program Chairman  
Joanne Hoffman—Football Queen  
Election Chairman  
Melvin Woodard—Parade Chairman  
Ann Taylor—Invitations and Publicity Chairman  
Shirley Sandwick—Refreshment Chairman and Secretary  
Eleanor Seeley—Registration Chairman

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## Day At College Planned For High School Seniors

### E. CLYDE SNYDER SHOWS PAINTINGS

A collection of water color paintings by E. Clyde Snyder is on display in the Arts Building at Mansfield State Teachers College and will be on display throughout the month of October. The purpose of the display is to give interested citizens a view of one type of professional painting and to show them an example of one artist's interpretation of natural and still life forms.

Mr. Snyder specializes in water color paintings of natural life, flower arrangements, and still life interpretations.

Mr. Snyder has been painting since his childhood days and started painting with oil paints and canvases. He graduated from Edinboro State Teachers College and received his Master of Arts degree at Pennsylvania State University. He is now head of the art department at Clymer High School.

The collection consists of an accumulation of three years' effort in professional painting. Mr. Snyder puts deep thought into every painting and says that a painting may take from 1½ hours to 5 days for completion, according to the number of times which he has to "start over" in order to express his idea of interpretation. The paintings all have a set price into which enter two main factors. First of all he must consider the actual price of materials and the value of the time involved. Secondly, he must set the price in accordance to what the creation means to him. A prized creation would be very expensive, comparatively, in this respect.

Anyone may purchase Mr. Snyder's paintings. In all Mr. Snyder estimates that he has painted 75 different scene interpretations. He has sold about 8 paintings thus far. The general public is invited to witness and examine Mr. Snyder's art creations.

### Students To Visit Classes, Assembly

M.S.T.C. is again making it possible for interested high school seniors to spend a day observing life on a college campus.

The Day at College program was instituted 3 years ago as a way of stimulating deeper interest in college attendance among capable high school seniors. It is not primarily aimed at increasing enrollment at Mansfield, which already has capacity problems. It is carried out in an attempt to activate any high school seniors' interest, which is currently dormant, or held inactive through reluctance to break home ties—or hesitancy to enter the strange world of college.

This goal makes it difficult to gauge the over-all success of the program, but a comparison of the names recorded at the visitors' registration over the past three years and of the names of the new students at Mansfield over that period shows that a surprising number of those who came as guests elected to return as students.

This year invitations have been sent to the senior classes of the more than 45 high schools in Mansfield's 7 county service area. The day's agenda has been carefully planned to provide the visitors with maximum opportunity to witness and to share with the student body an average college day.

Visitors and accompanying staff representatives will register in Straughn Hall from 9 to 11 a.m. After registration they will be free to tour the campus with student guides from their own locale or to visit any of the regularly scheduled classes. During the morning the department directors will be in their offices to enable them to speak individually to

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William Brocklebank



Melvin Woodard

## Outstanding Students Selected For September, October Honors

William Brocklebank, who lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Brocklebank, at 8 N. East Street in Coudersport, Pennsylvania, has been selected as the outstanding student of the month of September. Here at college Bill is attending his final year in music education where he has exemplified his musical abilities.

Some of the organizations to which Bill has given his time and energy are: Music Education Club, serving as vice president last year; Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, serving as secretary for the last two years; and College Players, for which he was organist at the play productions. He has been an active and interested member of marching and concert band, Woodwind Ensemble, and the Renaissance Singers. In his sophomore year Bill served as vice president of his class. He has been the organist for assemblies for the last three years.

Bill has served on numerous committees throughout his college career. At the present time he is occupied with Parents' Day since he is General Chairman of the Competition Night. He is attempting to organize a way so that the college may purchase Christmas tree lights instead of borrowing them, which has been the policy in previous years.

Because of his initiative and leadership ability, we know that Bill will succeed in whatever task he undertakes.

Melvin Woodard, Student of the Month for October, is the fellow who so capably guided all the activities of Homecoming this year. When Frank Palm, who was General Chairman, failed to return to school this fall, the chairmanship was suddenly placed in Melvin's hands. It was his responsibility, among other things, to see that the town of Mansfield was decorated and that the various committees under him functioned efficiently. In addition, as Chairman of the Parade Committee, he arranged for the parade route and the coronation ceremony in Smythe Park. Mel is to be congratulated for a splendid job. To him belongs the praise of the people of Mansfield.

In his freshman and sophomore years Mel was active in intramural basketball. He was a guide for A Day at College, worked on several float committees, and on the Homecoming Publicity Committee.

For two years he has been a member of Sigma Zeta and College Players. He is now treasurer of the latter organization. As a junior he is a member of Phi Sigma Pi, the men's professional fraternity and is business manager for the Carontawan.

Melvin, a secondary student majoring in math and science, came to Mansfield after one semester at Pennsylvania State University. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woodard of Wellsburg, N. Y.,

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## Special Activities Scheduled To Welcome Mom - Dad Today



PARENTS' DAY COMMITTEE: L. to R. James Powell, Joyce Helsel, James Besanceney, Steve Popovich, Bill Thompson, Joan Wilson, and Tony Strupcewski.

### Classes Compete; Game, Social Hour

Today, October 27, is Mansfield's annual Parents' Day. On this day the college welcomes to the campus all parents of students.

In order that they may see and experience as much of Mansfield collegiate life as possible, a specific program has been planned in their honor:

- 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Registration of parents and guests in Second floor foyer of North Hall
- 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Dinner in College Dining Room (\$1)
- 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Tours of campus buildings
- 2:00 p.m. Football: Edinboro STC at Smythe Park
- 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Water color exhibit—E. Clyde Snyder—in Arts Building
- 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Social Hour in the Arts Building, Second floor, for parents, faculty, and students
- 5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m. Supper in College Dining Room (\$.75)
- 8:00 p.m. Class Competition in Auditorium

The two special highlights of the day will be the afternoon football game between Edinboro STC and Mansfield, and the evening Class Competition in Straughn Hall. Upon registering, each parent will receive a badge which will entitle him to be admitted to both events as a guest of the college.

In last year's Parents' Day clash between Kutztown STC and the Mountaineers, a near capacity crowd filled Smythe Park. The Mansfield Red and Black carried the ball for a 25-6 victory. Encouraged by the recent Homecoming Day conquest, the Mansfield team is said to have every expectation of repeating last year's performance for the parents. During the half-time break the College Marching Band will present music and drill on the field.

The Class Competition, to be held on the new enlarged stage in Straughn Hall, will once again pit the talents and originality of the four student body classes against each other. Special and secret rehearsals have been held by the classes so that tonight's entertainment will be a surprise for not only the audience but most of the performers as well. In the 1955 competitions the senior class placed first, sophomores second, juniors third, and the freshmen last.

The Parents' Day Program is under the general supervision of the College Administration and the Student Council. The special committee for the day includes:

Co-Chairmen: Stephen Popovich and

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### FAMED ACTRESS WILL PRESENT UNIQUE HUMOR

Ruth Draper, whose character sketches have been delighting audiences around the world for the last three decades, will present an evening of dramatic entertainment in Straughn Auditorium at Mansfield State Teachers College on November 9, 1956.

Miss Draper is, by popular consent, the supreme individualist of our theatre and one of the best actresses in the world. Much of her triumph is due to her genius as a playwright, for she creates all of her own sketches, many of them with humor and all with an affectionate humanity. Her characters are real people, and she brings them to life on the stage with only the simplest props. She has a repertoire of 37 sketches which contain 58 characters, and in which some 200 others are evoked and seem

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### 'January Thaw' Promises Fun

Friday, November 16, is the date of the College Players fall production, *January Thaw*. At 8:00 p.m. in Straughn Hall the college dramatic club will present a comedy, as is their custom each fall.

*January Thaw* is by William Roos, adapted from the novel by Bellamy Partridge. The theme of the play is light, dealing with one Connecticut house which has two families claiming ownership, one a New England couple, the other, a New York City family.

Frieda, the maid, is played by Shirley Ann Boyce; Herbert Gage by William Ide; Sarah, Paula, and Barbara Gage, the daughters, by Ann Taylor, Barbara Jones, and Paul.

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### ALUMNUS HEADS GROUP ON READING GUIDEBOOK

Stanley Raykovitz, a graduate of M.S.T.C. in 1953, has been chairman of a committee which recently published a guidebook in reading.

*New Heights Through Phonics* is designed to help teachers in the intermediate grades. It gives many tests and procedures for teaching children who have difficulty in reading. This guidebook was compiled by a reading committee in the Pennsylvania Schools, Fallsington, Pa.

Mr. Raykovitz, chairman of the committee, received his degree in elementary education. While a student here, he was active in Phi Sigma Pi, A.C.E.I., and the Day Students Club.

### Music to Be Presented In Assembly Tuesday

Phi Mu Alpha and the Community Orchestra will present an assembly program on Tuesday, October 30 for the college and for those attending A Day at College for High School Students. The Sinfonia Chorus will sing "It's a Big, Wide, Wonderful World." The vocal soloists will be Manzo Hill, who will sing "Flow Gently, Sweet Afton," and Robert Swinsick, who will sing "Johnny, My Boy." The orchestra will play "Semper Fidelis", "Perpetual Motion", "You'll Never Walk Alone", from *Carousel*, Selections from *Oklahoma*, "Mardi Gras" from *Mississippi*, and the "Port Royal Selection for Strings."

Phi Mu sponsored the movie "Anchors Away" last Friday. The movie was followed by a dance in the Student Center.

In the gymnasium the following night Phi Mu Alpha held its annual dance at 8:00. The fraternity combo played. Singing waiters, composed of initiates, and a floor show provided the entertainment.

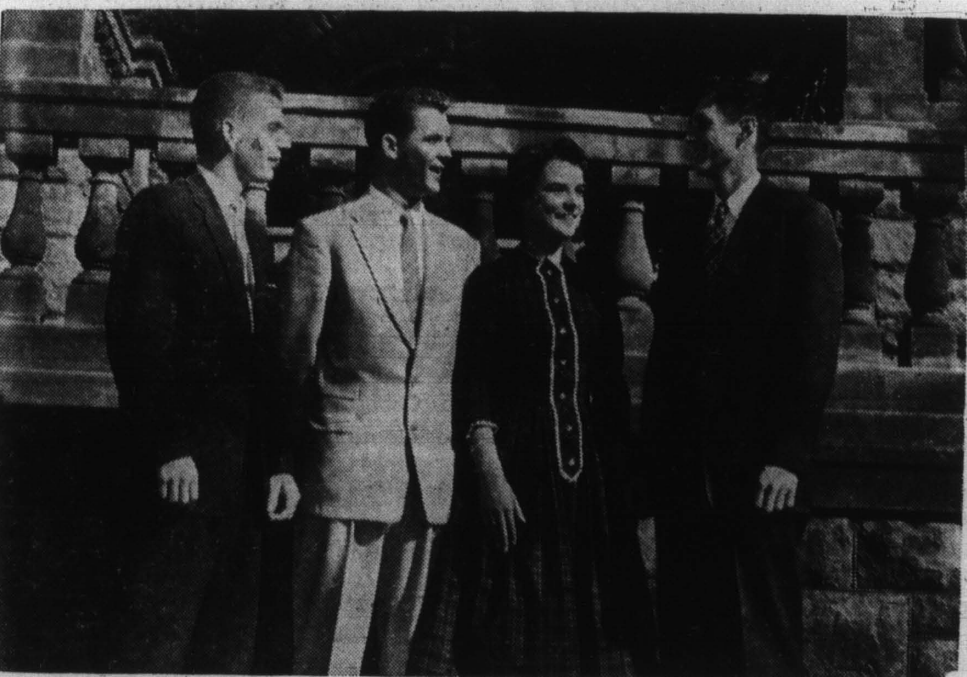
### ATTENTION PLEASE!

First quarter terminations, Saturday, November 10, 1956. There is sufficient reason to believe that grades for the first quarter will be distributed not later than November 17.

To make this possible students are required to report to the office of their department director at 2 p.m., Tuesday, November 6 (no assembly that day) to fill out forms.

An announcement regarding availability of grades will be posted on the bulletin board of the Dean of Instruction sometime during the week of November 12.

### FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS



L. to R. Richard Clink, vice-president; Victor Cloos, treasurer; Carolyn Mann, secretary; Michael Fleming, president.



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October—the month for blue skies stretching lazily above, for flaming foliage flaunting every tree, for Columbus Day and Halloween, and for tired teachers wondering how soon Thanksgiving vacation will arrive.

In my last column, I neglected to mention three summer weddings: Jim Schott said "I do" this summer; "Sonnie" Houck wed Chet Swimley on June 9; and Shirley Hotaling was married to Robert Seifert on September 1.

Donna Warner, a 1956 graduate, married Sam Schucker in the latter part of September. Anne Dickinson repeated the sacred vows on September 22, to become Mrs. Cecil Hoxie. September 29 was the date of Connie Hildebrand's marriage to Robert

Critchlow. Frank Palm and Beverly Trowbridge were united in wedlock on October 4.

The only official engagement that I have to report is that of Robert Sarr to Judy Lewon.

Mrs. Carlos Gutierrez is no longer "infanticipating". Carlos and she are now parents of a 10 lb. girl, Margaret Ann.

I have heard of no pinnings since my last column. Are all the "frat" pins in circulation? If so, out with the sorority pins. Take advantage of Leap Year, girls, for you only have two months left.

By the way, have you heard the teachers' version of "16 Tons"? If not, you have a big treat in store. Here it is:

## Six Full Hours

Author Unknown

Some people say a teacher is made out of steel  
Their mind can think but their body can't feel.  
Frowns and gripes from 9 to 3.  
You teach 6 full hours and what do you net?  
Another day older and deeper in debt.  
You pay your dues in this and that  
Then for 29 days your billfold's flat.

I was born one morning when it was cloudy and cool.  
I picked up my register and headed for school.  
I wrote 84 names on my homeroom roll  
And the principal said, "Well, bless my soul!"  
You teach 6 full hours and what'd you get?  
Cuts and bruises and dirt and sweat.  
I got two black eyes and can hardly walk  
When I turned my back and then came the chalk.  
I got 84 kids and 42 seats  
Sixty of 'em talking while 24 sleep.

I can hardly get 'em through the door  
And if I don't watch out they'll send me some more.  
You teach 6 full hours and 84 brats  
And all of them yelling like dogs and cats.  
They're cutting on seats and writing on walls,  
Hugging and kissing in the upstairs halls.  
The last bell rings and I head for the door  
My head's a-ringing and my feet are sore;  
I taught 6 full hours—my day is made  
But I still got 800 papers to grade.

You teach six full hours and what do you get?  
Another day older and deeper in debt.  
I'll go to St. Peter but I just can't stay—  
'Cause I gotta come back for the P.T.A.

Seriously, teaching isn't that bad, is it? (I won't direct this question to a certain student teacher for fear that she might answer with an emphatic "Yes" I'll see you on campus, Barb Press

## TO THE EDITOR OF THE FLASHLIGHT

On behalf of the Alumni Association of MSTC I wish to thank the college students for the work they are doing in emphasizing the One Hundredth Birthday of Mansfield State Teachers College.

The Football parade is particularly deserving of commendation, as it was one of the most original and interesting parades ever seen in Mansfield.

It is quite fitting that the upper classes should take an interest in the introduction of the Freshmen as they start the second hundred years of students in their course in education at Mansfield. What a contrast to the first class that started 100 years ago!

The Alumni Association appreciates the interest the students this year have taken, and are taking in this anniversary. You have not only our thanks but also our admiration for what you are doing.

Sincerely, Edwin S. Coles, President  
General Alumni Association of MSTC

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## In and Out Of Books

Carlos Gutierrez

As we watch the seasons change with the cold months slipping in to push the warm aside, all is not as bleak as the weather. Television, a controversial medium of entertainment, has a charged barrel of literary and cultural productions in store for the winter days. Those of us who find little time to read or happen to have a couple of roomies that just won't tolerate such "intellectual wish--wash" will be able to find a television set, turn it on full blast and have some of the very finest entertainment staring us right in the face.

Most of us who are working with the little ones on THE HILL or in the elementary grades, might supplement their teaching with the best audio-visual aid available.

The Legend of Jack and the Beanstalk will be produced on November 12 by Producers' Showcase over N. B.C. T.V. This particular tale is familiar to all of us, young and old, and never seems to lose its flavor. On January 7 Lysistrata appears over the same network. Producers' Showcase hosts the real spectacle of the season on March 4 when we will be privileged to see Sir Lawrence Olivier and the Old Vic Company in Shakespeare's famous tragedy, Romeo and Juliet. We are truly fortunate to be able to view the world's foremost Shakespearean company for merely the inconvenience of finding a T.V. seat. Romeo and Juliet is the immortal story of two young lovers who sacrifice life for love in a manner so moving that even the illiterate has heard their tale.

The Sadler's Wells Ballet will present Sleeping Beauty, April 29, also as a feature of Producers' Showcase. On November 25 Shaw's well-known Man and Superman will appear on the Hall of Fame T.V. Theatre, N.B.C. Dial M for Murder and The Little Foxes will be featured in December, but the dates are tentative. In December also — The Wizard of Oz, as originally acted by Judy Garland, will find its way into the hearts of many.

Playhouse '90 over C.B.S. T.V. features weekly some fine literary entertainment. On December 6, for example, the Perle Mesta Story will appear. Charley's Aunt, a popular comedy, Sincerely Willis Wayde, a best selling novel for many weeks during 1956, and The Country Husband are but a few of the better spectacles.

It is not the writer's intention or purpose to serve as a guide for the T.V. shows of the '56-'57 season, but rather to remind those interested and urge those not interested, to participate in a season of genuinely fine shows. Those in charge promise that the shows will not be "watered down," but will be authentic portrayals of the original work. Consult your T.V. Guide or the program listings in the newspapers and take part in T.V.'s biggest year yet.

## DONT FORGET TO VOTE

## ROCK 'N' ROLL: WILL IT LAST?

Once again the United States of America has another "first". It may be a somewhat dubious honor but, never-the-less we have the honor of being the first country to have Rock and Roll.

Rock and Roll is three chords set to a beat with a loud, harsh, tenor saxophone and usually somebody yelling to try and drown the instruments out. The end result of this is a form of (excuse the expression) music which could best be described as hillbilly De-bop.

Most of the people who complain about rock and roll would not do so if the people who are addicted to it would remember the old adage about moderation in all things. Everyone could stand to listen to a little of this nonsense but certainly not as much as they are getting. Juke

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## THANKS MR. JAMES, BUT . . .

The Boy Scouts of America, this college, and numerous other organizations all advocate suffrage.

The Boy Scouts even are going so far as to canvas different communities asking the question, "Are you going to vote?" This question is a very simple question which requires a very simple answer. If you answer "yes", see that you do. If you answer "no", you had better re-evaluate yourself. Ask yourself these questions, "Am I an American citizen?" ; "Do I care what happens to the country and myself?" ; "Do I believe in Democracy?" If you still answer "no" I suggest deportation.

The heretofore mentioned organizations ask you to vote; they don't tell you for whom to vote. That's the politician's duty. Your duty is to answer with the affirmative the simple question, "Are you going to vote?" When the politician asks you to vote for his party, do not say "yes", or "no", until you listen, discuss, and think about what each party has to proclaim.

Do not say you've heard this before, for if you had, our voting percentage of those eligible would be much higher.

If this constitutional privilege was revoked, who would be first to get up off his seat and shout "You can't do that to us!" Would it be the voter or the non-voter?

William James was once quoted as saying, "A social organism is what it is because each member proceeds to do his own duty with a trust that the other members will simultaneously do theirs."—A very nice compliment, good sir, but Mr. James, are we too trusting?

## TAKE FIVE

by Ralph Verrastro

Anybody know what happened to Kilroy? If you do, you are in line to receive a reward of \$25 for any pertinent information concerning his whereabouts. It seems that this Kilroy fellow started his antics sometime around 1945, continued for a number of years, and then mysteriously disappeared.

A group of doctors probing military psychology are very much interested in Mr. Kilroy's effect on our armed forces and would welcome any information about him: personal experiences, stories, etc. Address any correspondence to Dr. Clyde Ward, c/o Flashlight, M.S.T.C., and I will forward it.

Perhaps the main purpose of this column is to bring news of interest to veterans on our campus; however, this is no simple task since our public servants, both in Washington and Harrisburg, seem more concerned with national politics. I am not in

anyway criticizing this important part of our unique system of government, but want only to emphasize the importance of voting! With veterans from three past wars alive, there is no need to mention the strength of our vote. The school administration is completely behind the "Get Out and Vote" movement, and will make it possible for every student who is registered to vote.

An encouraging bit of information that will be of interest to all taxpayers—The World War II Veteran's Training Bill (now expired) cost the taxpayers \$15 billion. What did the taxpayers receive for this sum? Nothing really, only 450,000 drastically needed engineers, 250,000 school teachers (of which, as you know, there is still a shortage), 107,000 lawyers, and 17,000 journalists, among others.

See you in church.

## DEADLINE

by russ laforce

A naive frosh on campus told the following: "When I walked into North Hall, there sat my girl in the lounge with another guy!"

"Really?" I replied, "I hope you knew how to handle the situation."

"Boy did I! I turned out the lights so they couldn't see what they were doing."

Freshmen are everywhere. Another tale comes from a more poetic source.

Little Freshman, feeling fine,  
Stole his father's favorite wine,  
Mother, seeing he'd imbibed  
Laughed so hard she almost died.

Are you going to make the Dean's list at 9 weeks?  
Here's how not to do it:

Little Jack Horner  
Sat in a corner  
His crib sheets on his lappa.  
He opened his book  
And took a quick look.  
So, now he's Phi Beta Kappa.

This next bit of metrical mirth is dedicated to all ye who have passed biology and are going with a member of opposite sexes (yes sexes! 1. male sex, 2. female sex, 3. insects!

Before I heard Professors tell  
The dangers of a kiss,  
I had considered kissing you,  
The closest thing to bliss.  
But now I know biology  
And sit and sigh and moan.  
Six thousand darn bacteria—  
And I thought we were alone!

Now as the sun sinks slowly in the hills of Penna, I leave you with this last bit of jazz.

Now I lay me down to sleep.  
The prof. is dry, the lecture's deep.  
If he should quit before I wake,  
Someone kick me, for goodness sake.

The word: A professor is the only human to talk in someone else's sleep.



# FRISKY

By George R. Beyer

Our family has always had a special regard for animals. In fifteen years, we have had four dogs in succession: a boxer bulldog, a fox terrier, a mixed cocker spaniel and beagle, and now a miniature pinscher. Over the years our home has also housed a white rat and several birds, brought to us because of blown down nests and broken wings.

Therefore we should have been prepared one Saturday a few weeks ago when three of the neighborhood boys appeared at our door with a box. My father and I went out onto the front lawn and opened it. Out peered a little gray squirrel, scared and bewildered. Each time it tried to scurry away, it would fall over on its right side.

What had happened was that it had been run over by a car some distance down the street, and its right front foot had been broken. The animal had been floundering around, helpless and in pain, when the boys found it and resolved to bring it to us.

At first the squirrel was not receptive to our efforts to help it. It was placed in a wire cage, and when one of us tried to reach in to feed it, it would virtually lose control of itself in rage (or perhaps it was fear). Our efforts to pacify it were hardly made easier when our dog somehow got into the cage and grabbed the squirrel's head in its mouth! The poor animal was so overcome that it tumbled over onto its back and let out sharp, penetrating cries.

For a day or two afterwards, my father despaired of trying to tame the squirrel. It wasn't long, however, before it became quite playful, and actually let us stroke its soft, furry back.

The foot mended too without our having to give it special attention. Soon the squirrel was climbing all over the inside of its cage, using its right front foot just about as much as its left. Sometimes my father would let it out in his room. The squirrel would scamper about, disappearing under the bed and reappearing. After each little outing, it would return quite obediently to its place of confinement.

It occurred to us that our family now had a new member and that a name would be desirable. The name "Limpy" was suggested, but, in view of its progress, "Frisky" was settled upon as not only more attractive but more accurate as well.

There was one thing about Frisky that seemed rather surprising. That was his apparent inability to break hard nuts—a characteristic not shared by squirrels in general. It was necessary, therefore, for most of Frisky's nuts to be broken in advance before he could eat them. The squirrel seemed to be doing so well on the whole, however, that we did not worry much about this one strange inability.

Every day that passed, Frisky was more active and venturesome. And he was still as playful as ever. Many times he would nibble gently at one's hand, somehow never biting hard enough to hurt. We were seriously considering keeping him through the cold winter months and then letting him go in the spring.

One evening, however, my father discovered that all was not well with Frisky. He lay limply in his cage, and when my father picked him up, he sank back down to the floor. He couldn't stand up! The lack of sunshine must have given him rickets, we thought, and we succeeded in forcing a cod liver oil tablet down his mouth. Soon, however, the hard truth dawned upon us; the squirrel was dying. Moments after he had expended one last burst of effort by fleeing under a chair, Frisky was gone.

Frisky's death left us with the feeling of loss that comes when any loved companion is suddenly and unexpectedly taken away. In the hours that followed, we tried to figure out what had caused it. My father discovered that the squirrel's upper front teeth had been broken off, with the result that he was unable to bite

into anything hard. Meanwhile, his lower front teeth, without anything to grind against, had grown to such a length that they very likely had dug into the roof of his mouth and perhaps injured his brain. Just which, if not both, of these factors actually brought on the squirrel's death, we do not know.

Although Frisky is no longer with us, we are grateful that this lovable and affectionate creature could have entered into our lives for a few fleeting weeks. He has left a warm spot in our hearts, in a way that only a poor dumb animal can.



HOW WAS I SUPPOSED TO KNOW WHETHER HE WAS STUDENT OR PARENT?

Mansfield, Penna.  
October 27, 1956

Dear Mr. Moon:

Unaccustomed as I am in writing to space correspondents, I wish to start such an experience tonight. Why do I pick upon you? Really you should know. Five minutes ago when I glanced from the window you were teasing me with your cool confident smile. You, high up there can laugh and sail on to pleasanter duties—I suppose you will be peeking through tropical palms before I finish this letter—but me; here I sit and will sit until I can hand my boss an acceptable article for publication in the Flashlight.

As you know we here at Mansfield are celebrating our first Centennial. Stop smirking, I know that you have had yours millions of centuries ago, but you know what we say here on earth: the first hundred years are the hardest. If that be so should I write my paper about the hardest times of that hundred years? I could review all the great moments of glory or I could mention our connection with a famous murder. But one of our earth writers (Shakespeare I believe) looked up at you and said, "There's a time for all things." This issue does not seem the appropriate one for excessive centennial writing.

Perhaps I should write a story for the freshmen. Confidentially old Chap, how about this group? How do they stack up? Some election they had, huh? I heard that some of them have suddenly found college work much harder than they had expected. A few have even threatened to quit; but tell me have they found the joys of campus life as well as its hardships? In other words—Have they heard about the water tower? Would it be ethical to write and tell them that the red "D's" marked on their themes might eventually grow to become blue "B's" or spotless "A's". For them one could write pages, I suppose. What to do? What to wear? Check mailboxes, bulletin boards and laundry slips. Don't go near the concrete bench, et cetera.

But our paper is for all the students, and upperclassmen need no advice about studying, dating, or social conduct. What will interest this group? That water tower again? Or did they all find cars over the summer? An article thanking them for their co-operation in various

## LEIS, ORCHIDS BRING ORIENT AIR TO JUNIOR HIGH CLASSROOMS

Those students who are familiar with the junior high building have seen hitherto unfamiliar sights this year. Such things as orchids and fragrant leis are not common in classrooms. However to Miss Thelma Ching, new member of the junior high faculty, they are very common. She lived in Hawaii, and for four years she taught school there. Miss Ching has given us some information about schools in Hawaii.

As stated before, Miss Ching taught in Hawaii for four years, one year in grammar school, two in junior high, and one in senior high school.

She attended the University of Hawaii for one year; then she finished her undergraduate work at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn.

When asked about the difference in teaching between Hawaii and Pennsylvania, Miss Ching replied that Hawaii is advanced in some ways and behind us in others.

All children 6 to 16 are required to attend. There is one public school system in the whole territory. The ratio of teachers to pupils is 1 to 33 except in kindergarten where it is 1 to 25. All schools use the English language.

Concerning the discipline question, Miss Ching said that had she taught in or near Honolulu, she would probably have had a few problems. She taught, however, in a rural area where she encountered no special difficulties.

In Hawaii there is an actual group of Polynesians who are Hawaiian. They could be compared perhaps to the American Indian of this continent. Most of Hawaii's residents now trace their ancestry to foreign countries from all over the world. Miss Ching's grandparents came from China.

One thing which Miss Ching finds different is home-room management. Here the teachers are expected to bring flowers or plants. In Hawaii the students decorate their room. They bring orchids, gardenias, and other tropical flowers in addition to the flowers found in the States. One day a teacher from Oregon mentioned that she had never had a fresh pineapple. The next day there were two on her desk—the Hawaiian version of "an apple for the teacher."

The leis which Miss Ching wore several times last month were brought directly from Hawaii by a friend. One of the leis contained the centers of about 350 orchids. On May 1 everyone wears a flower lei. They have special programs, usually centered about a king, queen, and court. For this program they wear Hawaiian costumes, and do native dances and games.

Sports are very similar to ours. They play football, basketball, baseball, and track, and in Honolulu there are organized swimming teams.

If anyone is interested, there are positions for teachers in the Hawaiian Islands. A master's degree or fifth year certificate is needed however. Should a teacher have only a four-year certificate, he must take at least 4 credits every 3 years.

### The Legend of Sleepy Hollow Apologies—Washington Irving

Once there was a cool cat with the moniker of "Icky" Crane, who made it on the outside from Mansfield State. Now "Icky" was hep over a chick named Katrina, who was also stringing along a square called Brom Bones. This fish was trying to beat our boy "Icky's"

## POET'S CORNER

TWILIGHT—WALDEN '56

I am David Thoreau in a resort town.  
My soul, masquerading in white,  
Undrapes for me a newer scope than I have earlier viewed.  
The sullen waters, cursing their confinement,  
Call me to light and extinguish my small flame  
In the moodily starless expanse of the night  
And music, excitingly Latin, creeps over  
The water and lulls me  
To solitude and sadness.

M. F. Zimmer

LOGIC

If I should break a silly rule  
I'll pay forever after,  
And I can draw a penalty  
For smug, external laughter.  
The censure of the crowd is mine  
For making eyes or winking . . .  
But I can be as good as gold  
And set the watchdogs thinking.

M. F. Zimmer

Sincerely,

Leonard Yaudes (Len)



# Activities of Campus Organizations

## WOMEN'S DORM

The Women's Dormitory has acquired their new telephone system, and everyone is very pleased with it.

Six freshman girls were nominated for freshman dormitory councilors.

They are:

Phyllis Henniger  
Carolyn Mann  
Barbara Pearce  
Janet Louise Smith  
Ruth Ann Findley  
Jean Warner  
The two that were elected are:  
Janet Louise Smith  
Phyllis Henniger

Ann Sullivan, who was chairman of the Woman's Dorm float, deserves a lot of thanks for the fine job she and her co-workers did.

## COLLEGE PLAYERS

The cast for the fall play, January Thaw, is as follows:

Freida (the maid), Shirley Boyce  
Herbert Gage, Bill Ide  
Sarah Gage, Ann Taylor  
Paula Gage, Barb Jones  
Marge Gage, Margie Noll  
Barbara Gage, Polly Rice  
George Husted, Gary Cruttenden  
Mathilda Rockwood, Peg Gavin  
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Mr. Loomis, Bob Denning  
Uncle Walter, Don Books  
Matt Rockwood, Ellis Martin  
Carson, Dick Haven

Tryouts for College Players were held this month, and three acting members and several backstage members were admitted.

## MEN'S DORM

The Men's Dormitory Council extends a hearty thank-you to Robert Seely and Robert O'Neil who headed the organization's committee for the college's annual homecoming.

At a recent meeting of the council, nominees for the Freshman Representative to the council were selected.

The Men's Dorm has secured the weekend of November 30 and December 1 as their campus activity. Under the direction of Joe Witowski the activities will include a movie in Straughn Auditorium on Friday, November 30 entitled "The Annapolis Story". On Saturday, December 1, a reception will take place in the recreation room of South Hall where the student body will dance to the music of a jazz combo. Other features will be card playing in the lounge, television, and refreshments.

## PHI SIGMA PI

Phi Sigma Pi held its first meeting of the new year on Wednesday, October 10. Jack Zellner, the new president, stated that the fraternity hopes to improve the years program and live up to the high professional standards expected of the group. He stressed the ideals of Phi Sig, which are character, knowledge, and fellowship.

Potential pledges were being considered for the Fall initiation. The criteria for selection being that of superior scholastic, professional, and social accomplishments.

Also, under the realm of new business, the program committee, headed by Ed Kennedy, voted to have a guest speaker at each future meeting. They hope to utilize members of our faculty along with other leaders in education.

Bob Petroski replaced Bob Keenan as secretary due to an excess of extra-class points on Keenan's record.

## A. C. E. I.

A.C.E.I. held its first monthly meeting on Thursday, October 18. The topic for the evening was, "Education in Hawaii", and the speaker was Miss Ching, one of our new faculty members.

The A.C.E.I. weekend was discussed. The date set is for sometime in March.

## KAPPA DELTA PI

Kappa Delta Pi held its first meeting Thursday, October 11. The main event for this month is the initiation of new members chosen for 1956-57. Harold Hackett was chosen vice-president in the absence of Roger Woltz, who did not return to the campus this fall.

## S. C. A.

At a recent meeting of the programming committee for the Student Christian Association, plans for the outstanding events of the month were discussed and arranged. The committee is headed by Irving Chatterton. The organization held its annual Halloween party in the Arts Building on October 25. On November 1 the group will be extremely fortunate to have as their speaker, Harry McInroy, a member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, whose topic will be "Religion and Politics." Rev. Griffiths of the First Baptist Church of Mansfield will occupy the platform on November 15, when he will lecture on his native country, Wales.

For their annual Christmas program the Student Christian Association has planned a special feature. The Christmas festivities, which will take place on Nov. 29, will be highlighted by a speaker.

## KAPPA OMICRON PHI

Members of this organization will hold a Welfare Party Nov. 17 to make bandages for the Blossburg State Hospital.

Pledging of Sophomore, Junior, and Senior eligible girls will begin Nov. 28.

## MUSIC EDUCATION CLUB

The National Music Education Club is celebrating its 150th Anniversary this year. The officers of the Mansfield Music Education Club are:

President—Cyril Stretansky  
Vice President—Helen Chumard  
Secretary—Judy Dwyer  
Treasurer—Benny Truax

For their October 15 meeting, the club sponsored a faculty recital with Dr. Benjamin Husted, clarinetist and Miss Florence Borkey, accompanist.

## PHI MU ALPHA

The Phi Mu Alpha Chorus will perform at the "Day at College For High School Seniors", which will be held at Straughn Auditorium on Oct. 30. The organization also announces that it will formally initiate the new pledge class on Oct. 29. Past events include the Phi Mu Alpha Dance which took place on Oct. 20, and which was a complete success.

## DAY STUDENTS NEWS

The purchase of a basketball is being considered by the Day Students. It will be used by the students to fill in some of their leisure time while on campus.

Freshman representatives to the executive board are Susan Sundberg and Jack Wilkinson.

The new clock has been installed in the day room.

## Articles Published By Faculty Members

Two M.S.T.C. faculty members have recently had articles published in educational magazines.

Dr. Earl W. Seibert, professor of psychology, has had published in the February 1956 issue of *Educational Administration and Supervision* an article entitled "Educational Psychology on Two Levels." In this article Dr. Seibert discusses the methods used in the educational psychology classes here on campus—classification of students, library research, other research, group discussions, testing, and observations.

In the current issue of the *Pennsylvania School Journal*, official publication of the Pennsylvania State Education Association, appears an article by Mr. Fred A. Juppenlaz. Mr. Juppenlaz article, "Hobbies or Hobbies," discusses the activities of the retired school teacher. Mr. Juppenlaz states that worthwhile activities should be carried on while one is teaching. Then when a teacher finishes his years behind the desk, he has time to pursue these other activities more fully. The hobbies mentioned in the title are the hobbies which benefit the person himself, such as sports, instead of activities which can be of service to others.

Both of these articles may be found in the library. Read them.

## SIGMA ZETA

Vice-President George Smith was in charge of the first monthly meeting of Sigma Zeta which was held on Oct. 2, in the Science Building.

Plans for the coming year were discussed with the initiation of new members heading the list. New members will be brought in at the next meeting which will be held on Nov. 13. It was announced that pictures will be taken by the Carontawan at that time. The meeting was then adjourned and refreshments were served.

## OMICRON GAMMA PI

Providence Workshop at Penn State University will be held Nov. 8, 9, 10. Delegates from this school will be Patricia McManigle and Theodora Queipo. Mrs. Hoxworth and Phyllis Ayres will also attend.

On Nov. 14 the annual banquet will be held in the Presbyterian Church. Shirley Sandrock will be guest speaker. Her topic will be "I Helped Take The Girl Scouts to Europe." Eleanor Yarrison will be the evening soloist.

## LAMBDA MU

This year's officers for Lambda Mu are as follows:

President—Carolyn Gregory  
Vice President—Olynda Chaffee  
Secretary—Julia Eddy  
Treasurer—Jean Wildermuth  
Miss Borkey is the advisor

New pledges are to be received November 13 at a formal initiation followed by a pledge recital. Pictures for the Carontawan will be at this meeting.

## ART CLUB

A water Color Exhibit is continually being presented by Mr. E. Clyde Snyder II in the Arts Building. The exhibition started on October 6 and will continue until November 1.

A panel discussion is on the agenda for the October meeting. The discussion will basically concern the exhibition. Panel members selected are: Barbara Malkemas, Carol Fitch, Bob Benson, and Cal Catalano.

Parent's Day highlights for the organization will be the concession stand at the football game. Ralph Rodgers is chairman.

On October 7 the Art Club had a "Meet the Artist Tea" from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. for Mr. Snyder.

Fifteen new members were taken in this year. The initiation was directed by Alice Brittain.

The Homecoming float under the direction of Robert Benson and Barbara Malkemas won first prize in the novelty division.

## GEOGRAPHY CLUB

Big plans are in the offing by the Geography Club this year under the counselling of Mr. Arthur Palmer, their new advisor. During the last meeting Bill Farrell, president, expressed his desires to expand the membership of the club. At this meeting eleven new applications were reviewed.

The club is working on tentative plans for a big weekend sometime in the near future.

The group will meet again on Monday, October 29.

## ROCK 'N' ROLL: WILL IT LAST?

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boxes having one hundred records with ninety-five rock and roll disks is certainly not moderation.

Since the time of the first beginnings of jazz in New Orleans, we have had fads of one type or another in music. They come and go and musicians have learned to accept such fads as inevitable. However the real test in music, as in any art, is time. Through the years there have been literally hundreds of exceptionally fine songs written in the popular music class and these are still popular now after many years. This is an extremely small number of songs when compared with the thousands of tunes written each year. The obvious answer to this is that most of the songs written each year simply are

# PROUDLY WE CHEER

The sports staff of the FLASHLIGHT, in selecting candidates for Athlete of the Month, has as its primary qualification, outstanding athletic performance during that particular month.

PROUDLY WE CHEER will recognize those athletes who were in highest contention for each month's award.

## SAM KRIEG

Sam "Crazylegs" Krieg ran wild in the first games of the season averaging 50 yards per game. In his first season as first string fullback, Sam is filling the bill so capably that people are asking why he wasn't used more the past two seasons. Speed and determination are assets to any fullback. Sam has both. His quick hands and agility make him our most consistent pass-receiver—he's gathered in many wobbly and erratic passes which could easily have been incomplete.

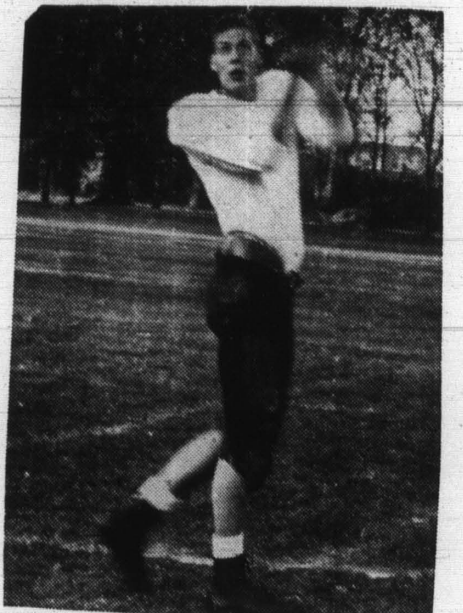
Sam is one of the big reasons for Mansfield's victory over King's College and figures prominently in the future plans of Coach Stelmack.



## BILL DEWEY

Bill Dewey has been having his greatest year thus far in the campaign. Bill has shown outstanding offensive and defensive ability—a very desirable quality to have at the end of any line. He was involved in the Mount's longest pass play of the year, gathering in a 50 yard Syracuse aerial. Adept at getting his man out of the play, Bill is especially effective on pass defense. He began the most spectacular play of the King's game when he intercepted the pass that eventually led to a 55 yard touchdown play.

One of the more serious ball players on the club, Bill is also one of the Mount's most dependable.



## TED WICHERT

Although the offense didn't show too much in the Brockport game, the Mansfield defense certainly showed its salt. And leading that defensive show was our big man, Ted Wichert. Time after time Ted made the big tackle or the key charge which saved the Mounts from a worse licking than the 14-0 score. One goal line stand was especially bulwarked by Ted—he was the only Mount between the Brockport fullback and the goal line. The fullback didn't get by Ted.

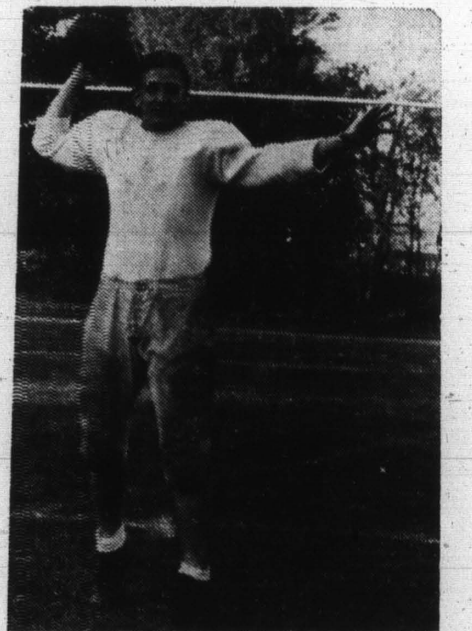
In a quiet, modest sort of way, Ted has time and again been the stalwart of the Mansfield forward wall. A nicer guy or a better lineman would be hard to find.



## BUCKY PRICE

Probably the most underrated ball player in school is the little guy of the squad, Cloyd Price. For all of his 150 pounds, he shows more hustle and determination than most of the big guys. Our sometimes left half, sometimes quarterback is one of the few guys who didn't quit in the Bloomsburg game. He completed eight passes in nine attempts for 93 yards or half of all the yardage Mansfield accumulated the entire game. Bucky has shown good speed in the left halfback slot and could break away occasionally if he had a few blocks.

This is the last year of football for Cloyd, but he's certainly done a bang-up job the four years that he's been here.



## WOMAN MARINE OFFICER TO TELL OF RESERVES

Captain Vivian B. Bulger, U. S. Marine Corps, will be on campus Friday, November 16, 1956. She will be located in the Reception Room from 11:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m.

Captain Bulger will discuss opportunities for women students to earn commissions as second lieutenants in the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve.

The class does not require specialized studies or drills during the academic year. Training takes place during the summer vacation.

Members receive up to \$300 plus food, uniforms, medical care, and transportation to and from the training camp at Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Virginia.



# EDINBORO HERE FOR PARENTS DAY TILT

## Sportscript

By Bob Keenan

### BASKETBALL

Talking about changes, there'll be some changes made in the basketball set-up this year also. Formerly, all you had to do to get on the team was appear regularly at practice. No one was cut, everyone ran in firehouse fashion, which is OK if you've only got twenty candidates for the team. Recently, however, the number of candidates has jumped to thirty-five or more. And it's impossible to get anything accomplished at a practice session with so many people with which to work.

For this reason, Coach Gibson has hinted that the squad will be pared to minimum strength. Only the best will remain on the squad and only lots of hustle will keep them on the squad. Mr. Gibson is a firm believer in hard work in the fundamentals—he plans to take more time in this type of practice.

While it is too early for any kind of prediction, I think it is safe to say that things will be better on the hardwood this year. Competition inspires incentive and from the looks of the freshman squad, there will be plenty of competition.

### FOOTBALL

Although the Bloomsburg game is past history, it should be noted that certain aspects of that game were not as they should have been. If a football team is five touchdowns better than another football team, then the former should defeat the latter by a score of 38-6. If, however, the former is only two touchdowns better than the latter, then the former should win by 13-0.

A lost ball game is a lost ball game in any language. But in college athletics, the goodness or badness of a team is judged largely on how badly it loses or by how much it wins. Good teams lose ball games—but they don't lose 38-6.

When a bunch of kids have a pick up game on a sandlot, the game usually goes along pretty well while the score is close. As soon as one team starts shellacking the other team, however, the kids on the losing side begin to fool around and lose interest. I think we've got a bunch of little kids on our football team. At least they react the same way.

I'm not taking a thing away from Bloomsburg—they've got a good, well rounded club. They probably deserved to win the game, BUT THEY ARE NOT FIVE TOUCHDOWNS BETTER THAN MANSFIELD. I doubt that they are two touchdowns better—but that score they hung on us sure make Mansfield's look like a drizzle-drip team.

After the first two touchdowns, our guys quit. Our backs ran into a solid white wall. The Bloomsburg backs had little trouble getting through our listless line. Their third team made our first look like a bunch of little leaguers.

College football players should act like college football players. If they get beaten, they should be beaten by as little an edge as possible. It is no disgrace to lose, but it is a disgrace to be run over in so complete a fashion (38-6) by a team little or no better than your own. Some of our ball players thought the rout we took was quite funny. Personally, I'm not laughing.

In our peculiar world, things are continuously undergoing change. Most natural changes appear to be traveling in a positive direction, always improving. Human changes are not so consistent—the human element sometimes creates changes which are regressive or negative changes. Most human progress, however, has been the result of positive changes vastly overcoming the negative changes.

So it is in the world of sports. Old timers will talk of the spectacular efforts of athletes in the "good old days." They will argue to their dying breath that the old iron men would ruin a modern prototype in the same field of sport. Actually they haven't a leg to stand on. Modern teams are so much more efficient, so much better drilled, and so very well equipped, and completely outclassed. In each successive season new techniques are discovered and used. Each successive season the competition is keener and the successful candidates faster, stronger, and more intelligent.

Many examples could be cited to prove this case. Probably the most recent is the four minute mile, a feat now accomplished by nearly half a dozen trackmen. Another example is the record breaking feat in the 1500 meter freestyle set by a boy at Cortland State Teachers College. Every record in every book will be broken in the future. Progress knows no end.

What has all this to do with sports at Mansfield State Teachers College? Well, progress is here, also, and it has become more noticeable in the past two years. What's more this is planned progress and should continue to show improvement in future years. Let's examine our athletic progress a little more closely.

The best thing that has happened to Mansfield athletics recently has been the appointment of Mr. Stelmack as head football coach. Mr. Stelmack is a thoroughly experienced football coach and, even more important, knows how to handle men. College students are no longer children, they are grown men and women. Coach Stelmack treats them as such. Never an extremist, the coach takes a moderate view of all things, expecting and getting the best from each individual.

Like any other coach, Mr. Stelmack does not like to lose. He is always striving for improvement and in many instances shows evidence of good, hard work. Most important of all, Coach Stelmack is looking for and finding more and better ball players.

When the administration of the college raised the standards required of prospective students, it simultaneously gave a boost to college athletics. Athletes of past years were miserably lacking in intelligence and good sense. How some of them ever got through this school is a modern miracle. A few of them read more comic books than textbooks. And to top it all off, they were the most unathletic bunch of athletes that I've seen in a good while. The record they left speaks for itself—and, unfortunately, for Mansfield.

But things are different now. The new crop is by far the finest bunch seen here in years. Most are good students and good athletes. Only a few were conditionally accepted and these few are really giving the studies a beating. For example, I saw three football boys working after dark with an instructor to gain better understanding. Another came here after working a year and is so thankful for this opportunity that he's giving it everything he's got. Friendliness and good manners exemplify the whole crew. And these guys are playing as members of a team—a team that represents our school and therefore represents us. I think they're doing a good job.

The coach and the administration have worked hard to bring all this about. They are wisely planning future policy so that we may have good athletes on the field and off.

### ATHLETE OF MONTH



Vince Siracuse

## Vince Siracuse Favorite Choice As 'Flashlight' Athlete of Month

When the sports staff of the Flashlight starts something, they go about it in a big way. This month they are inaugurating a feature on the athlete of the month. It follows that the first selection should be that athlete most worthy to begin this series in a big way. The selection should be a man with outstanding athletic ability, a man who represents the best that our school can offer on the athletic field. The athlete who fills the bill best is Vince Siracuse.

It would be impossible to mention all the feats that Vince has accomplished in varsity sports here at Mansfield. It would be equally difficult to try to evaluate his worth to the entire sports program. One thing is sure, however—few athletes have equalled the performance given by the big guy from Swoyersville, and few will be able to compare to it in future years.

Vince has been having his best year on the gridiron this season and figures to improve even more before bowing out of the intercollegiate wars. As Mansfield's first triple threat halfback, he has shown consistent ground gaining power, excellent passing percentage, and a commendable punting average. As a defensive back, he has time and again made vital tackles or broken up opposing pass plays.

It has been said that Vince learned to play ball before he learned to walk, and his records show that this might be true. At Swoyersville High he was a consistent ground gainer.

### E. Stroudsburg Rocks Mountaineers 42-13

The outstanding defensive play of Walt Millard was the only good thing that happened when the Mountaineer gridders visited East Stroudsburg last Saturday afternoon. East Stroudsburg won the game 42-13 but big Walt stood out like a shining star—he made over half of the defensive tackles and was largely responsible for the fifty yards worth of losses taken by the home-sters.

East Stroudsburg got the jump at the outset by scoring two quick touchdowns, one on the opening kickoff and another on a blocked punt. But Mansfield struck right back; once to score and two other times were halted on the two and six yard lines. Vince Siracuse and Sam Krieg ran well during these drives—Sam also carried a screen pass fifty yards while Vince ran a completed pass another twenty-seven yards.

The Mansfield pass defense closely resembled a sieve, however, as the Stroudsburg aerial attack covered 246 yards for four touchdowns. A second period field goal didn't help either as the homesters seemed to do everything right. Joe Witowski blocked a couple of attempted conversions and the Mounts actually played a better game than the lopsided score indicates.

averaging seven yards per carry. His superb ball handling and his terrific speed rewarded him with a scholarship to George Washington University, where he played one year varsity football before coming to Mansfield. He was also a member of a great Swoyersville basketball team which sought its way to the finals of the State Basketball Tournament in 1951. In baseball Vince led his team at the plate and played as a steady regular in left field.

Since coming to Mansfield Vince has continued to gain fame as a superb athlete. Last year, the seatback averaged 5.5 yards per carry. This year in the Mounts' first three games, Vince has carried the ball twenty-five times to gain a total of 101 yards, with an average run of 4.1 yards.

The Homecoming game with Kings is a good example of Vince's ability. Vince carried the ball ten times for a gain of 55 yards. In the third quarter, the Swoyersville lad scampered fourteen yards to score the Mounts' first touchdown. He later passed 15 yards for the tying touchdown and plunged over the goal for the extra point that put Mansfield ahead to stay.

Vince attributes much of his success to his high school coach Jon Yon Kondy, who taught him the fundamentals of the gridiron sport.

He also is active in many campus activities, being President of his Sophomore Class, a member of the M Club and the Newman Club.

Vince admits to the desire to be a football coach upon graduating from college. Here's hoping his wishes come true—and more success on the gridiron.

## Mounts In Top Shape For Today's Contest

A large throng of parents and students is expected today when the Mountaineers play host to the Edinboro Teachers on the Smythe Park gridiron. In the past years, the effect of the Parents' Day crowd has provided the stimulus necessary to get the very best from the local athletes—this year should be no different. The game promises to be the best since the tremendous Homecoming Day victory over Kings College and should provide as many thrills.

Edinboro has accumulated five victories over Mansfield in the past ten years. In the same period of time, the Mounts have been victorious three times. One game ended in a tie and another year the two clubs didn't meet. Last year the Mounts dropped a close one 12-6 but figure to reverse the decision today.

After a brief pause over the November 3 weekend, the Mounts resume action against Millersville, Saturday, November 10, on the local field. Millersville won a hard fought 21-7 decision last year but the year before were trounced by a tough Mansfield squad 42-7. The Mounts hold an edge in the series with Millersville having won four, losing three, and tying one.

Then the Mounts will wind up the 1956 grid season on the Lock Haven State Teachers home ground, Saturday, November 17. This series has been quite alive the past two years as the 1954 contest ended in a 6-6 tie and the 1955 affair had Mansfield on the short end of a 13-7 score. If things go according to form, this game should really be a pip. Lock Haven is still making a run for the conference title while Mansfield is trying to gain its first victorious season in ten years. Lock Haven has had the best of this series during the past ten years as they have racked up six wins to Mansfield's three. One, of course, was the 1954 tie.

### SPORTS WRITERS WANTED

The sports section of the Flashlight is expanding. More and better sports material will be presented in future issues. In order to do this, however, more sports writers are urgently needed.

Many good writers will shy away from this offer because they associate all creative writing with the themess required in English classes. But there is a difference. When writing a theme, you must think what you write—when writing sports, you write what you think. It's a lot easier that way.

If you are interested, contact Bob Denning or Bob Keenan as soon as possible.

## CO-ED CORNER BY JOANETTE ALBEE

Welcome to parents visiting the Mansfield campus this weekend! You will find your girls happy, healthy and studying real hard! Ask them—they'll tell you!

Congratulations to Janet Bidlack, Alice Brittain, Sue Clark, Shirley Empson, Nancy Hallett, Ann Mosher, and Sue Root. These girls have earned their keys, the highest honor awarded W.A.A. members.

To review the point system, only Seniors with 300 points can earn a key. Two hundred points earns a girl a varsity "M". One hundred points entitles a member to purchase the official W.A.A. blazer. These 100 points can be earned by the end of the freshman year.

A big thank you to the girls working on the Homecoming float for W.A.A. That means thank you, Teddy Simonds, Sarah Landis, Betty Ann Rose, Nita Stilwell, Lou Weeger, Ann

Mosher, Becky Smith, and Emily Smith.

Volley ball tournaments are underway. About 150 girls are taking part this year. Teddy Simonds' team made up of all last year's freshmen are champs. Can they hold this title? Will a freshmen team take the championship, or will Sue Root's team, last year's runner-ups give themselves a workout?

There will not be a tennis tournament this fall. To be able to play on the new court will be worth waiting until next spring.

The number of W.A.A. blazers worn by the girls have hit the fifty mark. The membership of W.A.A. will be over 200 girls this year. The organization can still claim itself the largest on campus!

**CHEERLEADERS**—The cheerleaders want to welcome the parents to Mansfield also. How about helping the cheering section, Mom & Pop? We would sure appreciate it!



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# THE STUDENT UNION

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those visitors who want specific information about a particular department.

All visitors have been invited to luncheon in the college dining room and to the assembly program in Straughn Auditorium. The assembly hour regularly scheduled for 2:00 p.m. has been advanced to 1:00 p.m. for the convenience of the guests who must make bus connections.

When the curtain goes down in Straughn Auditorium next Tuesday, it will mark the end of the First Day at College for a large group of young men and women, a day made possible by the college, and a day to be made successful by her students.

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ine Rice respectively; Marge Gage, their mother, Margaret Noll; George Husted, Barbara's fiance, Gary Crutenden; Jonathan and Mathilda Rockwood, a staunch New England couple, George Beyer and Peggy Gavin; Mr. Loomis, a lawyer, Robert Denning; Uncle Walter, a New England farmer, Donald Brooks; Matt Rockwood, errant son of Jonathan and Mathilda, Ellis Martin; Carson, a policeman, Richard Haven.

General co-ordinator of the play is Carol Birth. Working under her as committee heads are: business manager, Steve Neal; stage and sets, Wayne King; makeup, Carol Bailey; publicity, Ann Mosher and Marvyn Thomas; music, Robert Hinkleman; lights, Buddy Kile; properties, Leora Saxton and Carol Silsbee; tickets, Dawn Harer; curtains, Wayne King; prompters, Lois Cox and Janice Schutt; green room, Myra Brace; ushers, Lois Rohrbach; program, Jim Powell.

The play is being directed by Miss Elizabeth Allen and Miss Sarah Drum. The faculty members, Mr. Orville Dickerson and Miss Jean Snyder, are assisting with stage and make-up respectively.

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Joyce Helsel  
Registration: Joana Wilson  
Publicity: Anthony Strupcowski  
Decorations: James Besanceney  
Art Work: James Powell and William Thompson  
Social Hour: Joyce Helsel

Class chairmen for the competition program include: seniors, Hal Hackett, Sue Root and Ann Frailley; juniors, Ralph Verrastro and Jessie Ruvo; sophomores, Lee Bennett and Elsie Weirich; freshman, William Peters.

General Chairman for the Competition is William Brocklebank.

Although today is a particular day set aside for tribute to the parents, it is to be remembered that parents and friends are always welcome at the college.

### Famed Actress

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to fill the stage.  
A native New Yorker, Miss Draper divides her time between tours in the United States and England. Paderewski, who had known her as a child, was the first to see in her talent the promise of a career. She has been performing as a professional since 1911 and has played in virtually every country in the world.

Miss Draper will be presented at Mansfield under the auspices of the Artist Series Program. The College Players Dramatic Club on campus will honor Miss Draper at a tea immediately following the program.

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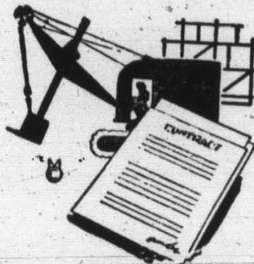
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## Many Christmas Festivities Promise Top Entertainment

### Dinner, Dance Begin Holidays

Every year the student body of Mansfield looks forward to the two outstanding dinner events of the school year. These are the semi-formal Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. The dinners are followed by semi-formal dances which are held in the college gymnasium and are enjoyed by all who attend. The Thanksgiving dinner and dance are now events of the past, and they were a huge success.

The theme of this year's activities was "Primitive Thanksgiving." The members of the committee who did such a capable job were Janet Kneiss and Ann Mosher, Co-Chairmen; Wilson Buddle, Bob Leslie and Pat McManigle.

The annual Thanksgiving dinner was served in the college dining hall at 6 P.M. on Tuesday, November 19. Pilgrims' hats and lighted candles among red berries and brown decorations formed the centerpieces for the tables. After a song of prayer and thankfulness, the students and guests enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner. In the first floor well after the dinner the chorus of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia presented a program of appropriate music.

A semi-formal dance was held in the evening from 8 - 10:30 P.M. in the college gymnasium. Dancing music was provided by The Esquires. The decorations for the dance were extremely unusual. The lobby was decorated in the Thanksgiving spirit with pumpkins and corn shocks. The doors into the gym represented the entrance onto the football field. The gym floor was decorated as a football field, symbolizing the end of Mansfield's football season. Around the gym, there were pennants representing victory cheers. At each end of the floor there was a goal post. One of them was red and black, representing Mansfield's end of the field, and the other goal post was blue and white, representing Lock Haven's end. The bleachers were pulled out representing the bleachers on a football field.

### Scotland Native To Talk At Assembly

The Rev. Johnstone Patrick, well known lecturer and native of Scotland, will speak to Mansfield's student body in an assembly in Straughn Auditorium on December 6. His subject will be "Christmas Among Contemporary Poets."

The Rev. Mr. Patrick was born in Scotland and lived in England during World War II. He resided in Canada after the war and is now living in Sayre, Pennsylvania, where he is minister of the First Presbyterian Church. During previous summers he has lectured at Chautauqua.

The assembly is under the auspices of the Student Christian Association. The Rev. Mr. Patrick will also speak at the S.C.A. meeting, Thursday, December 6. His subject then will be "Power of Prayer."

#### THANKSGIVING COMMITTEE



Left to right: Wilson Buddle, Patricia McManigle, Janet Kneiss and Ann Mosher, Co-Chairmen, and absent from picture, Robert Leslie

### Committee Arranges Seasonal Activities

An unusual variety of Yuletide entertainment is being planned for the Christmas season by the Christmas Week Activities Committee, composed of Elsie Weirich, Marilyn Christ, and Wayne Teed under Co-chairmen Carolyn Gregory and Russell LaForce.

On December 7 the season will be officially opened by Tom Allis, Student Council President, with the traditional tree lighting ceremony in front of Straughn Auditorium. Christmas music will be presented by Dr. Benjamin Husted's Brass Ensemble. Group caroling will be led by William Brocklebank. Merle Maxon will act as Master of Ceremonies, and Shirley Sandrock will read the Christmas story. The Freshmen Chorus has prepared a varied Yule program to be given in the Auditorium following the tree lighting ceremony.

From 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. on Dec. 8, the women of North Hall will be hostesses to the public at their annual open house. This is held to enable all to see the well decorations.

Following the open house, Mansfield's first Grecian Sing will be held in Straughn Auditorium. This is a competition sing to which all campus organizations are invited to participate but will not be judged in competition.

On Sunday, December 9, the annual Vesper Services will be held in Straughn Auditorium. Special Christmas music for the program will be provided by the Advanced Chorus.

On Tuesday, December 11, there will be a College Sing at 6:45 p.m. in North Hall, under the direction of Gordon Evans and Ann Frailey.

Friday, December 14, marks the date of the annual Christmas dinner in North Hall. Dress for the 6 p.m. dinner will be semi-formal, and between courses all will be invited to join in the singing of carols.

After dinner a singing program, sponsored by Lambda Mu, will be held in the second floor well. A dance will follow at 8 p.m. in the gymnasium. The senior class traditional midnight caroling expedition on Friday, December 14, will climax the Yuletide festivities.

### Mobile X-ray Unit Visits Our Campus

Chest X-Rays were made Monday, November 26, from 8 a.m. until noon in the Reception Room, North Hall. Although the X-Rays were compulsory for seniors, far too few students took advantage of this health service.

Tuberculosis is a disease with a record as one of the greatest killers in the history of man. Its effects on the population is serious, because it attacks so many young people.

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## WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES



Standing L-R James Wilson, Robert Denning, Margaret Noll, Robert Swinsick, Shirley Sandrock, John Zimmerman and Robert Hinkleman. Seated: Ann Sullivan, Carolyn Gregory, Gail Kuhns, and Ann Taylor

## Outstanding Seniors Honored By Election To Who's Who

### Ensemble Gives Varied Program

The Concert Wind Ensemble, directed by Mr. Bertram Francis will perform in the assembly program today. The ensemble will present music of a varied nature. Some of the selections are as follows: "Italian in Algiers" by Rossini, "Slavonic Rhapsody" by Friedmann, "Beguine for Band" by Osner, and Vincent Youman's "Fantasy." Also featured on the program this afternoon will be a marimba solo by Billy Loftus.

The Concert Wind Ensemble consists of 44 selected players representing a minimum of doubling on parts. This makes it a modern or streamlined version of a concert band.

Thus far this year the ensemble has made two concert trips. On October 25 the group performed at Jersey Shore High School, Lock Haven State Teachers College and Bellefonte High School in concerts presented in the morning, afternoon and evening respectively. The other concert was presented at Portville, N. Y. on Nov. 2, where it was enthusiastically acclaimed.

The music which is to be played in the assembly this afternoon is of the same type which the ensemble presented in its concerts.

### Mansfield Participates In Statewide Program For Teenage Drivers

Mansfield State Teachers College recently held its third Teenage Traffic Safety Conference. The Mansfield Conference is part of a state wide program which has been in association with the driver training program of our public schools. Mr. M. E. Decker, Director of Athletics, acted as general chairman. Registration and sessions of a large enrollment of tenth, eleventh and twelfth grade students from area schools were held from 9:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

This year the Pennsylvania State Association of High School Student Councils is taking a very active interest and part in teenage traffic safety problems. This symbolizes an extended interest in this worthwhile project. School people of Pennsylvania, along with other groups, feel that everyone should assist our youth toward the conservation of human life on the highways.

### Eleven Students Receive Awards In Recognition Of Achievements

Ranking highest among the honors awarded at M.S.T.C. is that of being chosen to represent Mansfield in the publication WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES. Eleven of the seniors have received the award this year.

ROBERT A. DENNING, majoring in English, is a secondary student from Mansfield, Pennsylvania. He has been active in many campus organizations, including Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha Psi Omega, the dramatic fraternity, and Phi Sigma Pi. In his junior year he was historian of College Players, and he has had roles in several of their productions. This year he serves on Student Council, for he is Editor-in-Chief of THE FLASHLIGHT.

CAROLYN GREGORY, a music student, is from Shickshinny, Pennsylvania. Carolyn has been an active member of the Music Education Club, Concert Band, Marching Band, Chorus, Community Orchestra, and Woodwind Ensemble. During her sophomore and junior years Carolyn served on the Woman's Dormitory Council. For three years she has been a member of Lambda Mu, the honorary music sorority, and this year she is its president.

ROBERT HINKELMAN, from Williamsport, Pennsylvania is an elementary major. Interested in music, Bob has been a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national music fraternity, since his freshman year. He also is a member of A.C.E.I., Community Orchestra, S.C.A., Geography Club, CARONTAWAN, Kappa Delta Pi, and he has been organist for College Players for two years. A member of Art Club since his sophomore year, he serves as its president now.

GAIL KUHN, a music major, is from Trexlertown, Pennsylvania. Gail has been active in Music Education Club, serving as its secretary her sophomore year, Opera Workshop, Advanced Choir, Lambda Mu, Marching Band, Freshman Piano Quintet, String Trio, and Kappa Delta Pi. Gail also won, this year, the Theodore Presser Music Scholarship.

MARGARET NOLL, a secondary English major from Montrose, Pennsylvania, has been active in many organizations, including W.A.A., CAR-

ONTAWAN, Kappa Delta Pi, and Alpha Psi Omega. She served as class secretary her freshman year, as Student Council secretary her sophomore year, as College Players secretary her junior year, and as Woman's Dormitory Council secretary-treasurer this year. Active also on the staff of THE FLASHLIGHT since she was a freshman, she has been Feature Editor for the past two years.

SHIRLEY J. SANDROCK from West Pittston, Pennsylvania, is a secondary student majoring in English and mathematics. She has participated in many campus activities, including W.A.A., FLASHLIGHT, CARONTAWAN, Art Club, Sigma Zeta, and Kappa Delta Pi. She served as sophomore class secretary and as treasurer of the Student Council her junior year. Shirley is president of the Woman's Dormitory Council now, a position putting her automatically on Student Council.

ANN SULLIVAN, an elementary student from South Waverly, Pennsylvania, has been active in A.C.E.I., College Players, THE FLASHLIGHT, W.A.A., and Art Club. In her freshman year she was also a cheerleader. A member of Kappa Delta Pi the last two years, she is now serving as its treasurer.

ROBERT SWINSICK, who is a secondary day student from Mansfield, Pennsylvania, is a science and history major. He has been an active member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, College Players, Opera Workshop, the Day Student Executive Board, Geography Club, Sigma Zeta, Alpha Psi Omega, and THE FLASHLIGHT, serving as its business manager while he was a sophomore and junior. Bob was class president during his freshman and senior years, a position which automatically put him on Student Council.

ANN TAYLOR, also from Mansfield, Pennsylvania, is an elementary major. She has been very active in A.C.E.I., of which she is now vice-president, College Players, serving now as secretary, W.A.A., Day Student Executive Board, THE FLASHLIGHT staff, CARONTAWAN, and Alpha Psi Omega.

JAMES L. WILSON, another Mansfield, Pennsylvania student, is a secondary science major. He has been an active day student, serving as vice-president of the Day Student's Club

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The top of the morning to you!

Well, how was your Thanksgiving? Did you have a chance to rest?? Or did you have to return to campus to recuperate from your vacation? At any rate, I'll wager the holiday was a welcome relief to the weeks which preceded it. Tension reigned supreme as everyone crammed for his mid-semester exams. The presidential election naturally increased this tension. Nanny Reber and Billy Bucholtz bravely upheld Stevenson to the bitter end. (In psychology we call that identification. Ha! I'm sure that they'll both admit, however, that they like Ike, too.

To add to the frustration which was prevalent in the hectic weeks before Thanksgiving vacation, we had to readjust to Eastern Standard Time. At this point I would like to "kill" the latest rumor on campus. The spotlight on the third floor arcade is not a permanent fixture; cheer up all!

Now, I'd like to extend a cordial "glad you're back" to the Home Ec girls who have returned from their student teaching assignments. And it certainly is good to have Dan Bills back on campus. That was quite a vacation he had. Were the Sayre nurses nice, Dan? You bet they are. And the ones at Arnot Ogden Hospital in Elmira aren't bad either, eh Dick Earley? Nevertheless, I'm positive that Dick would relish a note, a card, or a visit from each and every one of you. It won't be a picnic to be hospitalized until February. Allow me to congratulate Barbara

## YOU'RE LUCKY.

Were you born in the United States? If so you're lucky. Suppose you were born in Germany in the year 1930 or 1935. You would have lived through a great war; maybe you would have died in that war. You might even be a displaced person without family, without home. Even today many thousands of D.P.'s are wandering aimlessly. With each passing day some are reunited with their families. Would you be reunited? Perhaps.

Suppose you were born in Russia in 1930 or 1935. You would have lived or died in a great war. What would you be doing now? Think. Would you have an 8:00 class six days a week? Would you vote a straight ticket in the elections? Remember to use your privilege to vote. Follow the slogan "Read, Think, and Vote the Communist ticket."

Suppose you were born in Hungary in 1930 or 1935. Where would you stand? Would you be a rebel or a conformist? If you were a rebel, you might be hanging from a tree with your neck broken, or perhaps you would be pulling a trigger. Maybe you had joined the Russian army. Last year you had been promoted to a Tank Officer. Very few know your name, but many have seen your picture. People in the United States have seen your picture in LIFE magazine; you were lying prone on the ground with part of your head blown off.

In this world of great mystery we can't dictate our birth. We can, however, dedicate our lives to a worthy purpose.

Do you want to complain, disagree, speak freely, worship freely? Go ahead, if you're an American.

Malkemes, who was married to Bill Haynes on Saturday, November 17. Mr. and Mrs. Haynes will reside in Mansfield.

Joan Bate is engaged to Jim Wenslow. Laurie Eby is wearing a diamond ring given to her by Dick Forsythe. Elizabeth (better known as "Mike") Maloney is engaged, also. And who gave her a diamond? Why, none other than Duane (better known as "Skip") Fiocca. Congratulations, one and all.

Eleanor Seely is pinned to Cal Catalano. Emily Barone and Joe Murphy are also pinned. Again I offer my sincere congratulations.

The pinochle craze is again raging in North Hall. Have you seen the sign that Dottie Cupp had to wear? It seems that she can't tell a club from a spade.

The Thanksgiving Dance was a gala affair, as usual. (Did you hear about the fellow who was going to give his date a package of flower seeds? He wanted to surprise her with a "do-it-yourself.")

Well, here is the glad word for the day: "For every schoolteacher in this country, we are told by J. Edgar Hoover, there are seven persons engaged in crime. And they say that it doesn't pay either."

But, to end this column on a more serious note, remember, that "just when you think you've graduated from the school of experience, someone invents a new course."

So long—it's been good to know you,

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## In and Out Of Books

Carlos Gutierrez

One of the phases of modern writing that is passed over with far too much unconcern is that of humorous writing. It is as great a gift to be able to keep a reading audience laughing as it is to move them emotionally. Humorists of the pen are rare, and masters such as H. Allen Smith are museum pieces. Mr. Smith has turned out a half dozen books in the past decade—each one funnier than the last. His *LOW MAN ON A TOTEM POLE* is an anthology of unrelated, insignificant, pointless, but hilarious anecdotes. In *RHUBARB*, Smith guarantees that his public will roll in the aisles, or he will cease writing forever—he is still writing. *LIFE IN A PUTTY KNIFE FACTORY* has no more to do with a putty knife factory than with the man in the moon, but it is typical of H. Allen's brand of humor. He chooses absolutely senseless situations and builds his humor around their very senselessness.

Smith hit a new stride with *THE COMPLETE PRACTICAL JOKER*. This is a collection of actual occurrences in the lives of a number of well-known professional jokers. Admittedly, Smith's ideas appeal mostly to the impish uninhibited fellow who thrives on the absurd, but then—how many of us are above this? H. Allen Smith meets every man on an equal level. Those that don't see eye to eye with him aren't, as he puts it, "worth fretting over."

His latest: *WRITE ME A POEM, BABY* contains many "Smithian" incongruities, coupled with the uproarious "poetry" of "fifth graders and up."

"For sheer simplicity and graphic analysis, perhaps the best example is a twelve year old boy's description of a disaster in town. 'An explosion,' it said, 'is about the worst kind of thing that can happen to a man!'"

Looking at the best-seller listings, we find Brinkley's, *DON'T GO NEAR THE WATER*, dominating the honors. This is a second MR. ROBERTS as far as Yours Truly is concerned. It is funny, realistic and brash, but just doesn't seem to be outstanding. PEYTON PLACE has made the news! We know that the authoress is the wife of an ex-school principal who lost his job as a result of the book. Grace Metalious describes the sordid side of life in a small New England town. She is accused of emphasizing and even fabricating scandal. The people of the town are fuming. Mr. Metalious is no longer a principal, but throughout the country people are screaming to get their hands on PEYTON PLACE.

Francois Segan of *BON-JOUR TRISTESSE* fame has conjured up all the energy in her nineteen-year-old self and hit the favorite list again with *A CERTAIN SMILE*—same amoral theme!

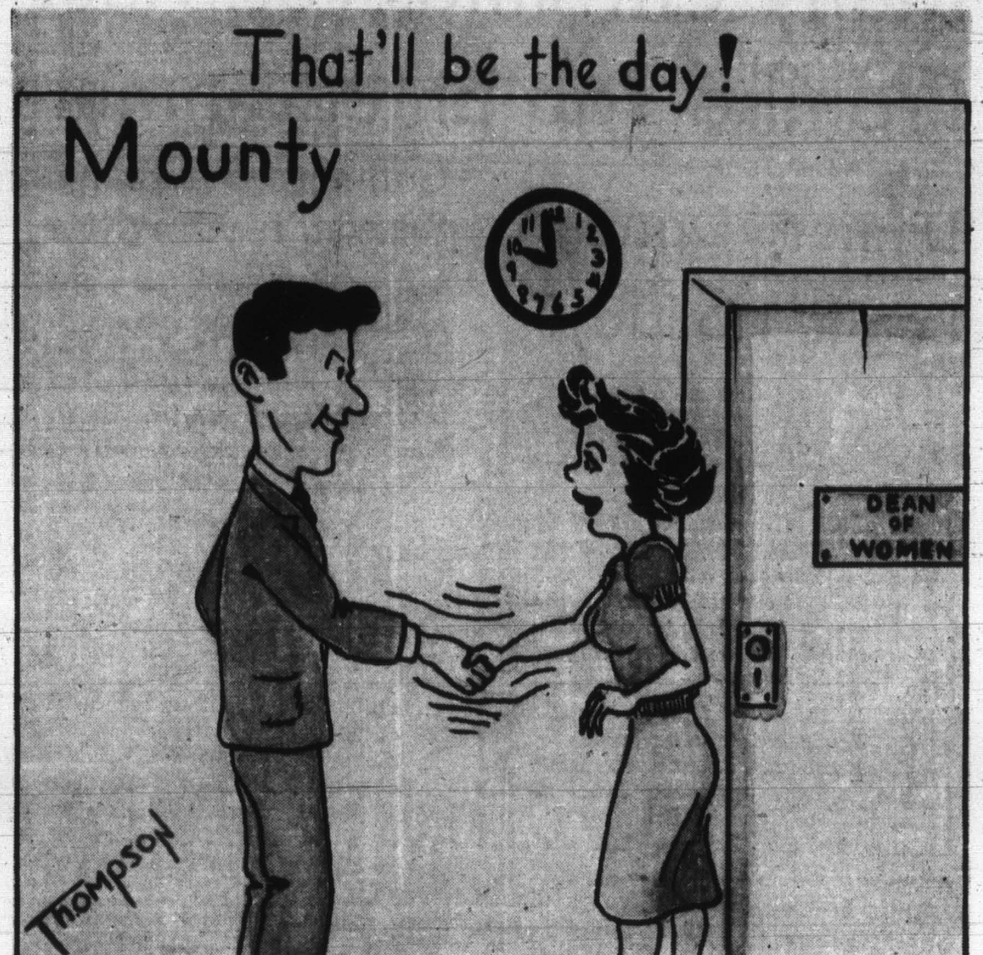
Next month: *THE QUIET AMERICAN*, *LUCY CROWN*, and *AUNTIE MAME*.

## Letter To the Editor

This Christmas Season Mansfield's Orchestra wanted to present a short Christmas concert for the school, therefore contributing to the spirit of the season. In trying to secure a date they met some "brick walls." December 2 was the only date available, but proved unsatisfactory for the personnel. As a second choice, December 12 was requested. A communication was later received from the Administrative Council—request denied for a concert December 5 (not December 12 as requested) because of the council's policy of no concerts during the week, Monday through Thursday. Naturally the Grecian Sing has been passed because their performance is Saturday evening, but when are the rehearsals being held?—during the evenings.

Perhaps the Administrative Council would reconsider—using the date requested—their decision, and let us wish the College and town "Merry Christmas" through music.

The Community Orchestra



## TAKE FIVE

by Ralph Verrastro

In view of the national situation, I would like to offer a bit of advice to all veterans on our campus. Upon normal release from active duty, we naturally fall into a 4-A classification; however, this classification may be ignorant of our present status. That is to say that each Selective Service Board considers different specifics as far as status is concerned; consequently, such facts as being a student, the acquiring of one or more dependents, an illness or injury incurred since separation from active duty may change your standing with your board. It's worth looking into.

After our recent Thanksgiving R & R, which was certainly enjoyable, I feel we are ready and able to tackle another bit of this school year. Actually it isn't much of a tackle as Christmas R & R starts in only two and one half weeks.

Over this past summer, I had the opportunity of working with people that attended some of our larger colleges and universities here in the East. An interesting and recurring topic of many of their bull sessions was their undergraduate course in "Logic," which I found was offered

in most schools. It is very difficult to explain what a course in logic can do for a person's thinking, but let me illustrate. A professor relates the fact that two men emerge from a chimney—one is clean, one is dirty. Which of the two takes a bath? The obvious answer is naturally the dirty one, but remember that the clean man sees the dirty one, observes how dirty he is and vice versa. Now the obvious answer seems to be that the clean man, seeing his dirty companion concludes that he is dirty too, so HE takes the bath. Actually, this answer is also wrong, for both men emerging from a large chimney would be equally dirty.

You must realize that this is an example of "Logic," but it still sets a pattern of thinking in motion which we need before assuming any teaching position. I believe that we here at M.S.T.C. should have access to a THINKING course of this type and not have to wait until graduate school for it.

Don't forget to stop in Mr. Jupen-laz's office and sign for your V.A. checks before Saturday. See you in church.

## DEADLINE

by russ laforce

Deadline, the monthly column usually appearing in this space will not be printed here this month. I am tired of writing this silly section month after month while incarcerated here in South Hall. You don't realize how nerve-racking it is to be locked in your room one week before deadline, never leaving until a masterpiece is submitted. My room is like a cell.

In the doorway stands a big guard placed there by the "party boss", Bob Denning. A single fluorescent light is all that lights my paper as I strive to attain my predestined goal.

Silently Big Brother (Denning, again) slithers into the room. His beady, shifty eyes peering through his glasses (not unlike glass bricks) and his hands constantly relentlessly buttoning and unbuttoning his Ivy league shirt collar. When he spies me in my meager rags, sitting, almost cowering by my desk in the corner, he bellows out in rage.

"Aren't you done yet? Tomorrow is Deadline!"

After my manuscripts have settled from the terrific draft of hot air, I answer VERY meekly,

"No, Sir!"

Bloody! I've had it again! Another wind storm and he slams out of my restricting cubicle. The guard returns with a pan of wet noodles and for fifteen straight minutes I am in the agony of severe torture. 100 lashes with wet noodles! O-o-o-o!

Then in slinks Boss Denning's girl friend, Margie. The door is closed, but she slips in without opening it. Not too thin, eh?

She peers over my shoulder and

her nose catches on my shirt and—Whoops, don't move or—Rip! Darn, there goes my best Van Husen. I can't say anything because Big Boss Denning has made Margie Feature Editor. He's trying to keep it in the "family."

In swoops the thorn in Big Denning's side—Little Brother Fravel!

I know the terrible friction there is between these two, and if I can only sneak out an article for all to read—

Little Fravel looks at my manuscript, and a cold look crosses his face. He realizes my intent to bring their whole corrupt scheme into the open. With a slow, fluid motion he hitches up his Ivy slax and belts me one right in the clippers. Margie and little Fravel flee!

I rise from the floor battered, beaten, but not vanquished. My strength is ebbing fast. If I can only finish before the end.

Suddenly Big Brother Denning steps into my room. A cold hard look is in his eye and something large is in his hand.

No, Sir Denning, Don't do it! You'll be sorry. I'll finish if you'll let me write one last word to my readers". He denies my request and his hand tenses on the object in his hand. It isn't a typewriter!

"You didn't make Deadline, eh?" says Big Boss Denning.

"I don't know how to finish my article", I plead, praying desperately for time.

"Don't worry, I'll finish it for you!" "How?" I ask, completely at a loss.

BANG!

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# THE PLAY'S THE THING

By Bill Ide

The curtain's down, the stage is struck, properties are finding their way back to their owners, and the actors have retired back to their natural role of students. Yet, on the ledgers, the College Players have recorded another success in the form of their November 16 comedy, "January Thaw."

Although the actual stage presentation took only a little more than two hours, many people will be surprised to know that preparation for those two hours consumed almost a thousand hours of diligent effort on the part of the play's actors and committees. But from the way the play was received, it is obvious that those hours were well spent.

Plans for the performance began during the latter part of last semester. At that time plan nights were arranged with the Dean of Women's Office, and a play-reading committee of five was selected to read and evaluate various plays as possible selections. When this was done, the final selections were voted on - January Thaw the winner. With the play now selected, College Players, under the guidance of faculty advisors, Miss Elizabeth Allen and Miss Sarah Drum, had a tangible base on which to build. And build they did! Several lengthy meetings between the organization's executive board, play reading committee and advisors were held. Using the methods as outlined by the club's constitution, committees and their chairmen were appointed, and a student general co-ordinator was elected. The latter turned out to be Carol Birth, and into her hands went all the play data, plus the responsibilities of direct contact between committees, actors, and directors.

Carol now took over. The thirteen actors were officially notified and rehearsals were arranged between them and the school administration. Playbooks, previously ordered, were passed out and memorization was begun. A special meeting was held for the committees. These committees, as important to the play as the actors themselves, included those for programs, publicity, costumes, and props, sets, tickets, Green Room, lighting and sound effects, music, make-up, ushers, prompters, and business.

Now the actual work was in full swing. College Players' members dipped their hands in paint, printers ink, and punch; they raised their voices in "how now, brown cow" rehearsals;

and they begged, borrowed or bought dishes, ox yokes, churns, books, lamps, and clothes. They learned to walk and talk differently, wield hammers, plot and paste posters and mobiles, keep budgets, contact people, and to get along with their committees. But, most of all, they learned that hard work and much patience were needed to make a success of any task.

It was not easy for members to just do the job assigned. Someone once said, "Always expect the unexpected," and his words were proven during the play's preparation. Perhaps no committee experienced the "unexpected" as much as the set committees, under Wayne King and Mr. Dickerson, whose duty it was to construct the stage settings. The first drawback occurred when it was noticed that the curtains of the stage were in poor condition after rendering many useful years. One of these curtains was carted away for repairs; however, it was decided that this curtain could not be repaired in time for the play. So, after much co-ordination between the administration and the club, arrangements were made to move forward one of the backstage curtains.

This incident in itself was bothersome, but not so much as the next "unexpected" event. A decree was announced that since the floor of the stage in Straughn Auditorium had been lengthened and refinished this past summer nothing could be bolted or nailed to it. For years stage productions have used long wooden braces to hold up the sets by screwing the brace ends into the set frames and the stage floor. Now, a week before play night, a new method had to be improvised. This was done with heavy A-frame type braces constructed in a hurry.

Of course, "All work and no play, etc." was remembered as the overall good humored tone of "it's got to be done; so let's enjoy doing it" prevailed. Green fingernail polish (from painting sets) appeared on several people; others practiced sounding like a cow, an auto horn, or a fire siren in case sound effects failed to materialize before curtain time; still others sat in their warm rooms making snowmen out of cotton. During rehearsals, words not written suddenly appeared to throw the cast into hysterics, and the properties and actors required for the play itself kept smiles on faces which were supposed to be frowning.

All in all the hard work and the time spent served College Players, the college and the community well.

# So You Want to Lead A Band

By Bud Fravel

So you want to lead a band? Of course you do. Everyone knows that leading a band is a real soft and lucrative deal. Those guys who play in bands have it easy too. Why, all they do is toot their horns and they get paid for it. What a deal.

After listening to remarks of this type for a number of years, I've decided that someone should set these things straight in the minds of the people who do not understand what goes into making a band.

Let's take a look at a band. Since it is easiest to define the unknown in terms of the known, let's look at the dance band on M.S.T.C.'s campus, The Esquires.

First of all, The Esquires have the problem of organizing the band each year. To make a sixteen piece band a good band it takes sixteen musicians, each one skilled in his particular instrument. To achieve this takes many years of practice and experience.

After the band is organized, many problems arise. Music is a big problem because the cost is so great and new songs must be added periodically. Re-

hearsals are also a problem. Finding a time which is suitable to sixteen individuals is a big task.

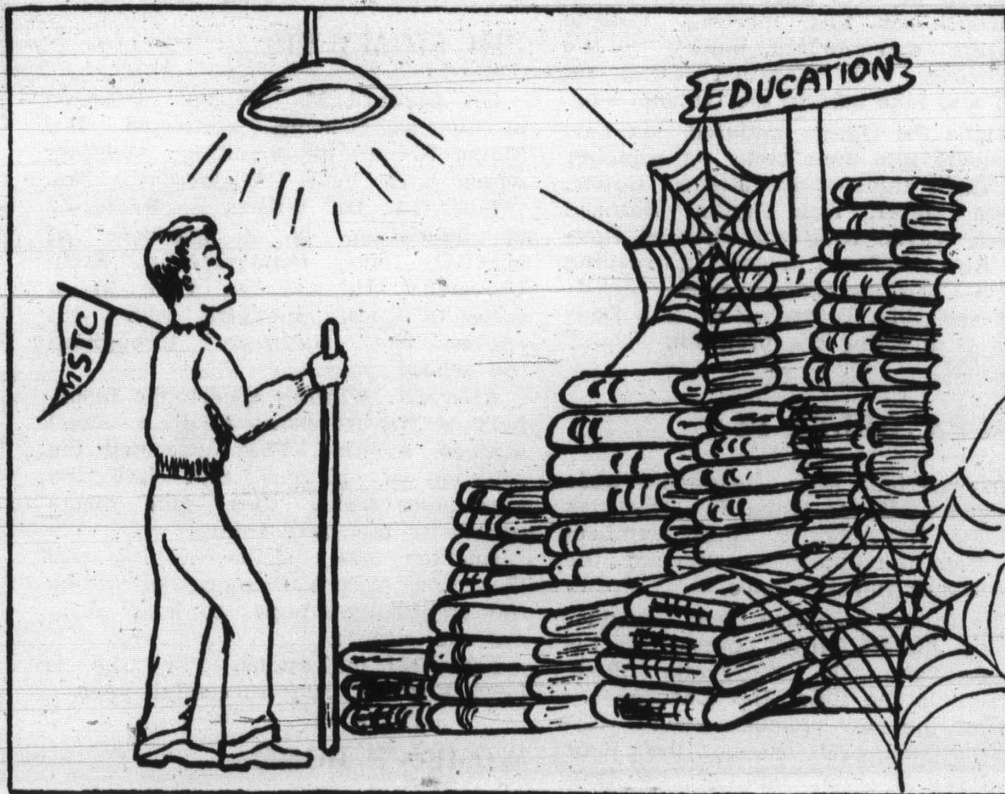
There are many more problems of a similar nature, but for now let's assume that they have all been ironed out and go on to some bigger problems.

The band is now ready to be heard by the public. The big question now is, what public? Letters must be written to all prospective customers, and when one answers then the real problems begin. Discussion of price, time, and place of the dance, difficulties with the musicians union, transportation, and so on, must all be taken care of either by mail or by phone.

These things may all seem trivial, but one slip on any of them and the band may lose the job.

The job itself is the next problem. After everyone arrives at the place of the dance, someone must set up the stands, lights and sound equipment and music and so on, and when the job is done they must take it all down again.

Yes, leading a band is easy - if someone else will do it for you.



# WHAT TO DO

By Len Yaudes

Since Eve took the bite from the apple there have been two schools of thought about progress. One school embraces the idea that what was good enough for yesterday will be good enough for tomorrow, while the other school believes that if yesterday can be improved, improve it, and try it tomorrow.

Since 1954 many changes have occurred over the face of this campus. To most the best change has been the creation of the "The Hut," George, the janitor of the Education Center, claims that the asphalt spread upon the parking lot is the best change. Hurrying students heap praise upon the new steps connecting the Education Center and the Science Building. The parking lot behind the Hut, the fire escapes for North Hall, the paint spread throughout the buildings and the tennis courts are all worthy of mention. For these changes and improvements a grateful student body says thanks.

However, let us think about a creed that should be considered in the near future.

Halfway up Wilson Street a greying old lady stands beckoning to students. Her glasses are cracked; her soles are worn thin; her facilities are failing. She is time worn; she is tired; she is the Education Center. Through her doors thousands of students have passed, richer in knowledge from the background gained in her rooms.

Let's look inside her. Straight through her front doors one goes directly into her Auditorium. Seats seemingly built for short legged students await to be used. With poor lighting and no support upon which to write, students are asked to take examinations. The desks are old and every motion made in them results in a disturbing noise. The shades are discolored and hard to manipulate. A few shades won't work or else work only as a result of the co-ordination of two students. Pencil sharpeners, scarce throughout the building, have long since graduated from 102. While bulletin boards are completely lacking in some rooms, fragments do appear in other rooms. Few of the rooms lack the facilities for the use of electrical aids. The list of inadequacies grows as thought is spent on the situation. Heating is a problem complete in

itself.

This greying old lady needs attention and needs it soon.

Little can be done to correct the deficiencies without adequate funds. Let's hope that on the agenda of improvements the needs of the Education Center will appear on the top line. With seemingly little work the old "Model School" might recapture its name.

# On Kissing

by William Thompson

A kiss is a kiss is a kiss. Ah, but is it? To you kissing may be one thing, to your "steady" another.

To a three-year-old boy, a kiss is something he must give mommy and daddy before he may go to bed. A six-year-old gentleman considers a kiss a weapon with which he can "scare the daylight out of five-year-old girls." A twelve-year-old boy will tell you that a kiss is a lot of baloney, a fourteen-year-old will say, "What's that?" and go back to his ball game. The man of sixteen years will simply blush. Above this age, males will interpret kissing in a large variety of ways.

In the seventeen-to-twenty bracket, the practical male calls a kiss a "Thank you for the pleasant evening," the romanticist thinks of it as something to be stolen, the honorable boy considers it a privilege which he must not abuse, and to the Don Juan it is simply "The proof of the pudding."

From twenty-one on, the male has to be cautious, not because of what a kiss may mean to him, but because of what it may mean to the one whom he kisses and the one who observes him. Here, are the meanings of a kiss to the adult male.

To the dermatologist it is part of his living, and to the subjects of his experiments it is a necessity and usually a pleasurable means of earning money. To the old married man it is a means to an end - to make sure he gets his supper. To the single-still-naive-in-his-twenties man, a kiss is something to be cherished, while to the man-who-knows, it is a natural occurrence resulting from either an evening of comedy acts, starring himself, or from the "big line" that he has perfected.

The newly-wedded man, if he has married for love, simply enjoys his kisses without trying to reason what they are or mean. Later, they become a nuisance, and, at this point, he calls kissing his wife "a duty," until he finally reaches the stage of the old married man. At this point, kissing becomes less and less frequent, and finally the absence of kissing occurs. Here the "old duffer" of sixty takes over, just faintly remembering the days when a kiss was something he yearned for.

Kisses are blown from the finger tips, sent on paper, asked for, taken without consent, and passed out without limit. They are beneficial to lipstick manufacturers and embarrassing to the guy who has forgotten to rub off the tell-tale sign. Kissing is a method of spreading the common cold, a prelude to marriage, and a heck of a nice way to get sore lips. It is a way of greeting to some, an expression of love to others, and the easiest way to raise the blood pressure of any normal red-blooded American boy.

A kiss is a kiss is a language.

# POET'S CORNER

## REFLECTION

The storm leaps howling through the night;  
The windowpane is frosty white  
And hard and cool; and hostilely  
It stands apart and stares at me  
As though I am the stranger here  
And it the conquerer. I fear  
Perhaps 'tis right. What leave have I  
To reprimand a winter sky  
Or hold a howling storm at bay  
Outside my window, by the way.

Man's conceit has grown beyond  
The basis it was built upon!  
...but as upon these thoughts I touch  
(For none of which I'd give you much)  
I sit at the window, by the way,  
And hold the howling storm at bay.

M. Faith Zimmer

## FRUSTRATION

Given the night  
My soul beats its foolish wings  
Against the late-limned windowpane  
Impressing dust marks  
Parallel to those left earlier within.

M. Faith Zimmer

# TRANSLATIONS OF VOCABULARY DURING DAY AT THE CAMPUS SCHOOLS

By Ann Taylor

"Good Morning" . . . . .	. Good Morning my eye! Many more mornings like this and I'll quit teaching.
"It's 5 of 9" . . . . .	. Oh horrors, only five minutes of peace and quiet left.
"Oh, here come the children now. . . . .	. Stand on a table and take cover quick or you'll be run over!!!
"Children, please take your seats." . . . . .	. Get into those seats on the double.
"Now it is time for our Sharing Period." . . . . .	. Here comes all the latest gossip.
"Oh yes, noon duty went fine today." . . . . .	. Only one tooth knocked out, two skinned knees, one bloody nose and one boy spitting in the wastebasket.
"I have to go to the College Bookroom for some materials." . . . . .	. I'm going to the Hut for coffee and if I have time, I'll go to the bookroom for materials.
"Teacher, what is a rhymophobianhyturnium?" . . . . .	. He's trying to stump you with a word he heard on a T.V. commercial.
"You look it up and tell the whole class." . . . . .	. I have no earthly idea what the word means.
"Well, Mr. and Mrs. . . . . . your son Johnny isn't showing proper interest in his work." . . . . .	. He throws spit-balls during classes.
"Here's an apple for you, teacher." . . . . .	. His father has an orchard and is trying to get rid of the apples before the first frost.
"I don't understand what the question means." . . . . .	. He wants you to answer the question for him.
"I love you teacher." . . . . .	. He wants an A.
"You are beautiful, teacher." . . . . .	. He wants an A.
"You are the nicest teacher I've ever had." . . . . .	. He's giving up.



# Activities of Campus Organizations

## SIGMA ZETA

Initiation of new members of Sigma Zeta, the honorary science and mathematics fraternity, took place November 13.

Active membership is restricted to juniors and seniors possessing high ideals and scholarship. The following juniors entered: Thomas Cooley, Daniel Doud, James Jackson, Robert Keenan, Robert Leslie, Carlton LeTourneau, Gary Swimley, and Melvin Woodard.

Sophomores whose scientific work indicates promise of development are eligible for associate membership. These sophomores were initiated: Edward Allen, Ronald Anderson, Edward Babcock, Carl Bedell, Roger Blackwell, JoAnn Bowen, Robert Johnson, June Johnston, Larry Kelts, Wayne Madsen, Stephen Popovich, Robert Precit, William Thompson, Gary Whittaker, Janice Norman, and Jeanette Secondo.

## S. C. A.

The S.C.A. will again carol at the Blossburg Hospital. Everyone is invited to join in the fun! Along the music lines - Louise Smith and Sigrid Johnson have been appointed as chairmen for the S.C.A.'s presentation at the Grecian Sing.

At an open meeting which was held to plan future activities for the group, George Leber was selected as chairman for a membership drive which is to encompass both students and faculty. The group feels that it would like to share its activities more extensively with campus members.

An extremely gracious gesture was the club's giving of a \$50.00 scholarship to an anonymous student.

## A. C. E. I.

Shirley Carter, program chairman for the November meeting of A.C.E.I., chose for her program the subject of puppets. The program began with an introduction by Shirley concerning the making and the various uses of puppets. A short puppet show, "Chicken - Licken," followed.

Betty Jean Rex showed marionettes and demonstrated the way in which they are used.

The program was both interesting and valuable to students of the elementary department.

## KAPPA OMICRON PHI

On December 8 a banquet commemorating the founding of the national Kappa Omicron Phi will be held in the Baptist Church. Alumni members of Alpha Beta will be invited. This "Founders Day" banquet is under the supervision of Phyllis Ayers.

The organization takes this opportunity to thank all those individuals who helped make the "mum" sale for Homecoming a success.

## GAMMA THETA UPSILON

Eight new members of the geography fraternity, Gamma Theta Upsilon, have recently been initiated. John Zimmerman, chairman of the initiation committee, led the formal activities which made John Ordway, Bill Shoemaker, Tom Ayers, and Pete Tunney members. At the same meeting Mr. Arthur Palmer, the fraternity's advisor, gave a talk on Nevada.

Plans have been made by the organization to donate a Greek-letter plaque to the Student Union. Final arrangements have also been made

for a weekend which the fraternity will sponsor on January 18. There will be a movie on Friday night followed by a record dance in the Student Center.

Gamma Theta Upsilon is the youngest fraternity on campus. It was established in 1954 under the direction of Dr. George Langdon, professor of geography, who is now teaching at West Chester State Teachers College. There were 13 original members; it has expanded to 19 members at the present time.

The new officers are as follows: George Baron, president; Don Kline, vice-president; Al Eno, secretary; John Zimmerman, treasurer; Mr. Arthur Palmer, advisor.

## COLLEGE PLAYERS

College Players held its second meeting October 16. Mrs. Lloyd Cole of Blossburg was guest speaker at this meeting. She gave a very interesting talk on dramatics and many useful tips on presenting a play.

Group pictures were taken for the yearbook at this meeting. College Players will donate money to the Christmas Tree Lighting Fund and will also take part in the Grecian Sing.

Alpha Psi Omega initiated six new members into their club on October 29. These students are Michele Cotter, Dawn Harer, Ann Taylor, Bernard Freer, Wayne King and Richard Haven. Alpha Psi will present a reading of "A Christmas Carol" at the Christmas assembly, December 11. Bob Denning is directing the program.

## KAPPA DELTA PI

Twenty-eight new members were pledged to Kappa Delta Pi Thursday evening, November 8. These members are from the upper quintile of the senior and junior classes.

The formal initiation was conducted by Jarrett Miller, president, his officers, and Dr. Margaretta Bone, advisor to the Beta Rho Chapter.

After the new members were finally initiated, each one had the floor for three or four minutes to talk, tell a story, or do whatever he wished. This was done in order that the old members might have an opportunity to see and hear them.

Members chosen from the senior class are as follows: Tom Allis, Mickey Cotter, and Mrs. Joan Simonetti. Those from the junior class are the following:

Phyllis Ayers  
Carol Bailey  
George Beyer  
Mrs. Elizabeth Bluhm  
Barbara Bush  
Helen Chumard  
Tom Cooley  
Duane Flocca  
Carole Fitch  
Carlos Gutierrez  
Richard Harrington  
Marietta Harrison  
Robert Keenan  
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There are many faculty members belonging to Kappa Delta, and two were pledged this year. They are: Dr. Clarence Hunsicker, head of the elementary department; and Dr. Clarence Mutchler, head of the secondary department.

year and as president this year. He has also belonged to Geography Club and was its president his junior year. "Zimmie" has also belonged to Art Club, Kappa Delta Pi, Gamma Theta Upsilon, the geography fraternity, and Phi Sigma Pi, of which he was historian his junior year.

The students recognized in this publication are nominated from approximately 675 colleges and universities. Considered are the student's scholarship, his participation and leadership in academic and extra-curricular activities, his citizenship and service to the school, his promise of future usefulness to his profession and to society.

Each college has a nominating com-

## MEN'S DORM

David Welsh has been elected to the post of freshmen representative to the Dormitory Council. He hails from Duke Center, Pennsylvania and attended Otto Township schools. Some of his activities while in school included band, chorus, basketball, senior play, National Honor Society, and district chorus. The dormitory members wish him good luck in executing his duties.

William Brocklebank and Don Snider have been appointed as co-chairmen of the association's presentation for the Grecian Sing. Tentative plans feature the singing of either "The Carol of the Bells" or "Silver Bells."

A hearty welcome to Dan Bills who has returned from the Robert Packer Memorial Hospital in Sayre where he was hospitalized after a recent illness.

Men students who are supervising projects for the dorm are Edward Babcock, sophomore representative to the council, who is building sleeve boards for the laundry room and John Harcharek who is securing a dart board for the recreation room.

## PHI SIGMA PI

Dr. Richard M. Wilson, Director of Campus Schools, addressed Phi Sigma Pi at its monthly meeting, which was held Wednesday, November 14. Dr. Wilson, a Professor of Education, is a graduate of M.S.T.C. and Pennsylvania State University. He was the first in a series of guest speakers who will address the fraternity throughout the school year.

After Dr. Wilson's speech the members of the fraternity held a short business meeting. They discussed the selection of pledges and initiation procedures which they will incorporate in the near future.

Another issue of the evening was that of a basketball concession which the organization hopes to hold during the season.

From all indications Phi Sig is headed for a very successful year.

## WOMEN'S DORM

The Women's Dormitory Association voted to donate \$25 to the Christmas Tree Lighting Fund. Also looking ahead to the Christmas festivities, the Dorm Council members are planning to represent the association in the Grecian Sing. They have Virginia Hokanson for their chairman.

The TV room was left open all night, so that the girls might be able to watch the election returns.

The Women's Dorm Association is now making plans for the annual decoration of the wells for Christmas.

## OMICRON GAMMA PI

Christmas in Bermuda will be the theme for the December meeting. Miss Ruth Billings is the guest speaker. Also at this meeting members of Omicron Gamma Pi will decorate the classroom doors of the Home Economics Department and wrap gifts for welfare children.

Shirley Sandrock was the guest speaker for the annual banquet on November 14. She showed slides and spoke on her summer in Europe.

Every year the Pennsylvania Department sponsors a scholarship to be earned by Pennsylvania Extension Homemakers. This club received \$200. which was divided among Carol Bailey, Hildegard Mertz, Marie Kopatz, and Onalee Teats.

Members of the Home Economics Faculty and the Deans of Women selected these girls on the basis of scholarship, membership in 4-H club while in high school, and the probability of their becoming good teachers.

At Mansfield it is composed of the College President, the Dean of Instruction, the Deans of Students, the department heads, and the Director of Student Teaching, Campus Schools, and Placement. Students on the committee are the four junior members of Student Council, the two sophomore council members, and two sophomores selected from the student body. Miss Ellamae Jackson, as chairman of the committee, has no vote. This committee considers each eligible student and votes for the number specified by the publication, in proportion to the size of the school.

This honor is the highest given at Mansfield, and it is in recognition of work well done.

# PROUDLY WE CHEER

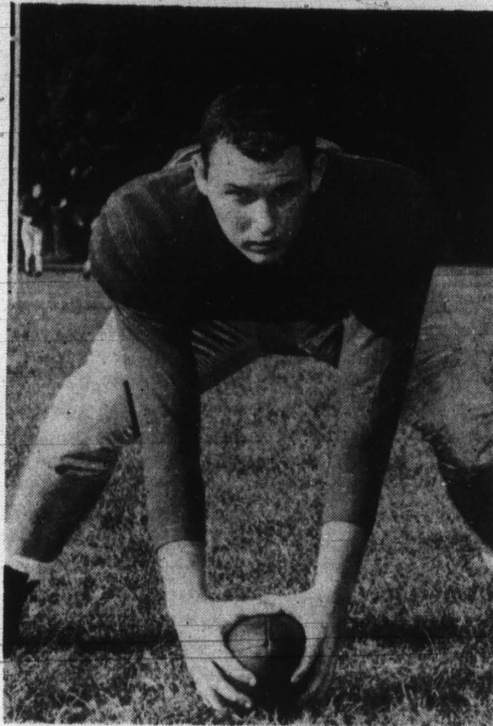
The sports staff of the FLASHLIGHT, in selecting candidates for Athlete of the Month, has as its primary qualification, outstanding athletic performance during that particular month.

PROUDLY WE CHEER will recognize those athletes who were in highest contention for each month's award.

## JOE WITOWSKI

One of the most unheralded guys on the squad, but one of the most dependable, game in and game out, is the center line-backer, Joe Witowski. The value of a good line backer to any football squad cannot be measured in yards or touchdowns. But it's a sure thing that if an opposing back gets through the line, the line backer had better get him or he'd be gone for paydirt. So it is with Joe. Game after game, he's right in there taking the bumps—and also handing out a few.

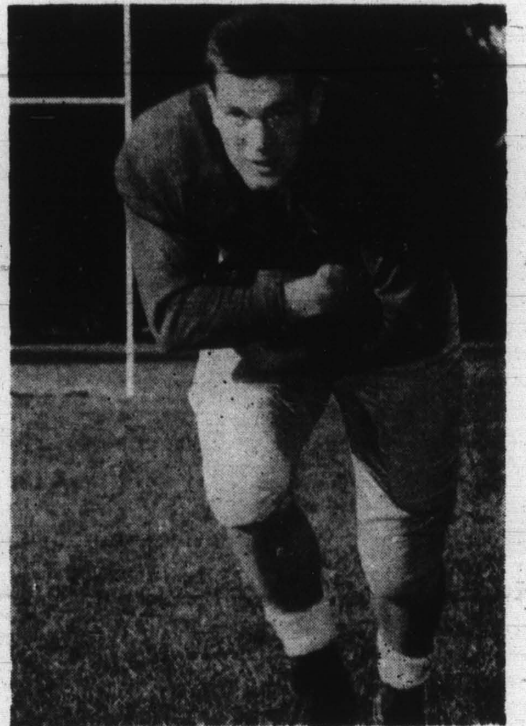
This is Joe's last year on the squad—it'll take a "big" man to replace him next year. The guy really deserves recognition for the terrific job he's done the last four years.



## DAN BILLS

Predicted by many to be the boy to watch in future years here at Mansfield is the tall, good looking kid from Hastings, Danny Bills. Although he's seen only limited action this year, it is apparent to most who know football that, next to Vince Syracuse, Dan is the best runner on the squad. He's by far the best equipped to fill Vince's slot next year. He's shown good running speed, good, quick, thinking and hard, determined running. Even when he's hit, Dan picks up an extra yard or two by sheer drive—he's averaged four yards per carry over the season.

Dan is typical of the many good Frosh on this year's squad. He and the others should make football at Mansfield somewhat better in the future years.



## FRANK DUNNIGAN

Probably the best defensive end on the squad, Frank Dunnigan, doesn't even start most ball games. But he's always in there before the game is over. The end position is one of the most important on a football team—good ends are hard to find. Though Frank's not the best in the world, he does a capable job, knows how to use his hands, and is an effective downfield blocker. When a play comes his way, Frank becomes a determined tackler, an aggressive end whose sole purpose of the moment is to make the tackle. Most of the time he's successful.

Only a sophomore this year, Frank is sure to be varsity material for the next two years, and figures high in the future plans of coach Stalmack.



# CO-ED CORNER

BY JOANETTE ALBEE

## W.A.A. NEWS

One vacation is over, and another one is soon to begin. Is everyone prepared for the most hectic two weeks of the year—the two between Thanksgiving and Christmas? You'd think we were here to study or something. The social life could be grand, but we have to attend classes too.

The volley-ball tournaments have reached the play-offs and by the time the FLASHLIGHT comes out the championship will be decided, among Neff, Copperthwait, Johnson, Landis. Teddy Simond's team was the one entering the play-offs without any losses. All the other four had but one loss.

The bowling league of upperclassmen began on Tuesday, November 13. W.A.A. has a project in mind for this school year concerning the bowling alleys. They are going to furnish

the paint and other repairs to really fix the alleys up proper! This will be of interest to all bowlers at M.S.T.C.

W.A.A.'s plans for the Christmas season are always big. The Christmas party is the nicest of the year. The Tioga County Welfare gifts given by you girls make a good many children very happy. The profits made from the 600 boxes of Christmas cards will contribute to fattening up our treasury for future use.

## CHEERLEADERS

Now, it's basketball season! Again we are out after you to help cheer for our team. We can always depend on you girls to make the noise! Don't let us down. This is intended as a slam to you fellows. Didn't want to leave any questions in your minds.

How about matching your school spirit with your Christmas spirit?

# WHO'S WHO . . .

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last year and as president now. Jim has been active in Geography Club, and during his sophomore and junior years he belonged to Art Club. Sigma Zeta, Phi Sigma Pi, and Kappa Delta Pi claim his time this year. His post as Day Student President makes him a member of Student Council.

JOHN J. ZIMMERMAN, Jr., also a secondary student from Mansfield, Pennsylvania, is majoring in social studies. He has been a member of the "M" Club, varsity athletic club, since his freshman year, having earned letters in football and baseball. He served as secretary his sophomore



# MOUNT CAGERS READY FOR HOME OPENER

## Sportscript

By Bob Keenan

Now that football season is over sports enthusiasts in our honorable institution of higher learning turn their attention to the hardwood for the beginning of a new basketball season. Seems as though they should have a name for the court other than college gymnasium - something like "Joe Doaks Memorial Physical Education Building" or something. Named after Mansfield's most famous athlete, Joe Doaks.

Anyway, we can take a look at the prospects for the coming season. Without a doubt, basketball will show definite improvement along certain lines this year. The practice sessions are very well organized and should result in better overall conditioning. The squad will be cut down to workable size and greater emphasis will be placed on lower classmen.

### COACH GIBSON

In Coach Gibson, I think Mansfield really caught a "live one." He is a take-charge type of coach who likes to get things done and done right. He is a young coach with young ideas; he loves basketball and expects his ball-players to love it; he has already instilled new life into last year's listless, rather indifferent bunch of ball players. He is the type who gives little and takes less - a great guy off the court but strictly business on the court. Basketball is his job and he's doing a good job. During the last few weeks of football season, Coach Gibson did double duty, having his work on the football field every afternoon then coming back for basketball practices each night. The night basketball practices consumed his own time - time which he willingly gave to get basketball off to a good start.

This fact alone indicates the interest and initiative of our new coach. And I am a firm believer in giving credit where credit is due. I think people should know of the fine job Coach Gibson is doing.

### THE LETTERMEN

From the eleven returning lettermen, Coach Gibson will probably form the nucleus of his squad. With eleven lettermen returning, prospects should seem awfully bright for the coming season. Don Lee is the best; Joe Witowski is right behind. Joe Linkowski could be tremendous and Jon Peterson should be ready for the good year everyone's expecting. Gary Enderle has improved but Paul Hvizdak still has a long way to go to become a polished performer. So do most of the others.

### THE SOPHOMORES

Not much material among the Soph's. Only Harold Hanson and Bruce O'Dell seem worth keeping. Of the others, none appear to be college material.

### THE FROSH

A couple of bright spots in the freshmen candidates. Coach Gibson likes the style and attitudes of Mike Gambol and Ron Firestone. Both have looked good in practice sessions and should see some action this year.

### FOOTBALL

This column carried a story on football last month, which aroused quite a little controversy. Some thought it was a little too critical while others thought it wasn't strong enough. I would like to emphasize at this time that the views expressed in this column are the opinions of the author and in no way reflect the opinions of the coaches or the administration. My conclusions are influenced a great deal by the sentiments of the student body. I lay no claim on being the world's foremost athletic authority but I have been around athletes and athletics long enough to be well informed. Let's face it - the athletic situation at Mansfield has been pathetic for the last five years and therefore could stand a little criticism.

If I was overly critical, I'm sorry.

But I refuse to retract one word of what I said. I still believe that our football team is as good or better than any opposing team we've met this year. If the guys had hustled and made some breaks we could easily have won five or six games. There is no excuse for a football player being out of shape. There is no excuse for thinking lightly of a sickening defeat. There is no excuse for quitting when you get behind. And there is certainly no reason for feeling inferior to an opposing team before the game even starts.

Most of our football players are ok guys. They certainly deserve a verbal pat on the back from the student body. They devote two hours of each day to a hard practice grind. Football is not an easy game - it is rough and bruising and takes a lot out of a guy. But all that work seems useless and senseless if the team is a perpetual loser.

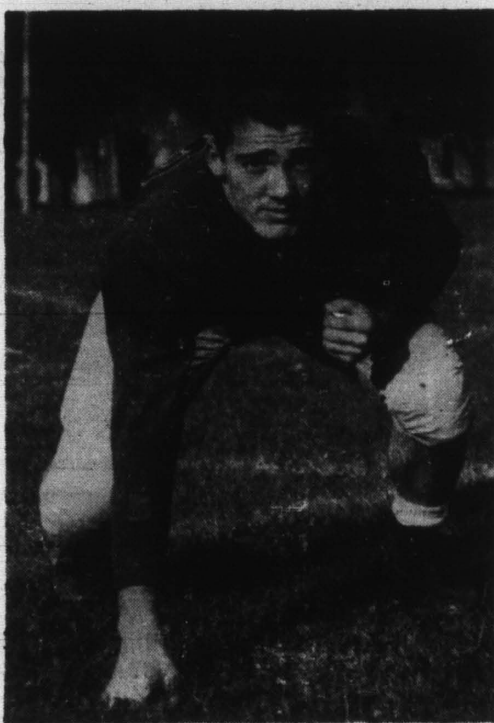
There is certainly something wrong somewhere in the athletic set up. I've tried to bring out some reasons which seem obvious to me. And, while I don't want this to become a heated debate, I would like to extend the opportunity for anyone to have their views printed in the next issue of the Flashlight.

### MORE FOOTBALL

Talking about football, the pep rally before the Millersville game had some interesting side lights. The

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## Athlete of Month



Walt Millard

## WALTER MILLARD NAMED TO AWARD

The outstanding line play of Walter Millard has made him the Flashlight's overwhelming choice of Athlete of the Month. His extreme aggressiveness and rough spirit are synonymous to a very good football player. A friendly, good natured guy off the field, Walt works hard and plays hard when on the field. To be outstanding, a football player must have desire, initiative, and ability. Walt is top-grade in all these respects and is therefore the logical choice for the Athlete of the Month award.

Each ball game is a new challenge for big Walt. Each succeeding ball game is taken more and more seriously. This results in game to game improvement; and this improvement has been culminated in recent contests. Take for instance the East Stroudsburg game. The big, hard charging guy from Canton made a good sixty per cent of all the Mansfield tackles. In the first half of that game, East Stroudsburg netted a total of minus one yard from scrimmage primarily because Walt threw opposing backs for serious losses. Play after play, he would charge the runner or rush the

### THE COACH AND HIS BOYS



Left to right, Bruce O'Dell, Bill Palmer, Joe Murphy, Sam Krieg, Ted Wichert, Gary Enderle, Joe Linkowski, Don Lee, Jon Peterson, Paul Hvizdak and Vince Syracuse Coach Gibson, kneeling

## Coach Gibson Pleased With 1956-1957 Squad

With the opening game just a few days away, the Mount cagers are now completing preparatory drills. Coach Gibson has had the boys running for the past four weeks and expects to have the squad rounded into shape for the December 10 opener with Lycoming. He expects to have good speed and good height on the squad and will probably rotate his little guys and tall guys in a constant proportion. The squad has looked fairly quick in practice sessions and, if the tall guys come through, should control a good percentage of rebounds. Some of the players can shoot with accuracy from anywhere on the court and the defensive play has been strengthened as the result of Coach Gibson's stress on this aspect during practice sessions.

The coach has indicated that his fensive set-up will be primarily man-for-man, but he intends to switch to a zone on occasion. The zone being used in practice sessions has two little men chasing out front and three big guys blocking the center and controlling the boards. Offensively, the coach seems to favor the steady little guy to bring the ball up the court and the big guys at the forward and center shots. This offense however, is not a set pattern as many varieties are incorporated. The fast break is used often with the smaller guys going down court first. More emphasis has been placed on the figure eight and other fundamentals in order to get basic plays worked out. Passing and dribbling workouts have been the order of the day for these past weeks.

Individually, the squad has some good, solid ball players. Don Lee appears to be Mansfield's best offensive threat; he's no slouch on the defense either. Joe Witowski is expected to have his best year; he's our best rebounder and can move for a big man. Joe Linkowski looks much improved over last year and could surprise everyone. Jon Peterson seems more confident and could also be a surprise package. Gary Enderle has shown lots of potential. Among the little guys, Hal Hanson and Bruce O'Dell appear to have the inside track, but freshmen Ron Firestone and Mike Gambol are pushing them for varsity berths. The squad of some twenty-five odd ball-players is somewhat smaller than Coach Gibson had anticipated and he is somewhat disappointed.

Lycoming College will present a veteran squad when they visit Mansfield December 10. In Al Wilson they have a classy forward who threw 38 points through the hoop in two contests against Mansfield last year. Big Ron Kipp, their 6'6" center will also be back - he averaged 10 points per game last season. The Lycos will also present steady Ron Hughes who can pop them in from the outside and speedy little George Porter who can really move on a basketball court.

Lock Haven will be the Mount's first conference opponent when they visit Mansfield December 13. The Mounts were very successful against their outfit last year as they defeated them, twice 69-65 and 70-66. But Lock Haven will have four of their five starters back plus a guy named Neal Kemp who scored 10 points as a substitute last season. Art Martynuska, the center, looked good last year although he scored only 26 points in two games against Mansfield. Their steady guard, Don Albright will be back as will Jerry Terrette, a speedy forward with a good eye.

Both of these pre-Christmas games should be corking good ball games and should give some indication of how the Mounts will shape up for the remainder of the season.

in the final quarter with frosh quarterback Tom Merlie at the helm. Two passes to Dewey and Syracuse good for 21 yards, helped in this drive as did the fine running of Vince Syracuse. Vince carried the ball across from 15 yards and Hal Hackett converted. Substitute back Ron Shevak closed out the scoring for the day when he took a pitchout nine yards for a touchdown.

## Tennis Champs Give Exhibition To Mark New Court Dedication

November 3 marked the informal opening of the newly remodeled tennis court on campus. Mansfield called on John Frenchko, Mansfield graduate, class of 1941, the Rev. Everett Blowers, of Wellsboro, Mr. Bertram Francis, of the Music Department, and the two sons of the Rev. Blowers, David and Philip Blowers.

In the opening set, John Frenchko teamed with Phil Blowers to defeat the Rev. Blowers and son David, six to two. The Frenchko team served first and quickly racked up a five love lead, breaking serve three times in that process.

The feature event of the exhibition was a singles match between Mr. Frenchko and the Rev. Blowers. Utilizing a very effective serve and forehand, Frenchko shutout the Rev. Blowers six love.

Later the Rev. Blowers teamed with

son David again to defeat John Frenchko and Mr. Francis six to four. Down five to one, the Frenchko Team rallied to take the next three games to cut the deficit to five to four. In the final game, Rev. Blowers closed out the scoring with an overhand slam to give his team the win.

Mr. Frenchko is very prominent in tennis tournaments throughout Elmira and Northeastern Pennsylvania. This last year, he copped the championship of the Montrose Country Club Tournament. Last year, he reigned as champion throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania. While attending Mansfield, John represented Alma Mater in an inter-collegiate tournament staged at Montclair, N.J. John was nosed out in the finals.

The Rev. Blowers reigns as champ of the Wellsboro Tennis Club and Elmira District Tournaments.

## MANSFIELD ROCKS MILLERSVILLE 26-0 LOCK HAVEN WINS

Mansfield 26 Millersville 0

Mansfield S. T. C., under the superb passing and running of Quarterback Cloyd Price chalked up its second win of the season, defeating Millersville S. T. C. Mansfield completely dominated the game. Only twice did Millersville penetrate the Mountaineers half of the field. Vince Syracuse scored two of the Mansfield's TD's, in the first quarter on a 50-yd run and in the final quarter on a pass from Price covering 35 yards. Mansfield outgained Millersville 375 yards to 204 yards. Price completed four passes for 121 yards and ran for 56 more. Syracuse was the ground gainer for the day with 128 yards rushing. Price and Biddle scored the other two touchdowns for the Mountaineers, and Harold Hackett converted twice. Millersville ended the season with 2 wins 6 losses.

Mansfield 7 Lock Haven 33

Jack Dintiman and the Lock Haven Teachers made a shambles of the Mansfield State gridders last Saturday afternoon as they won 33 - 7 over the Mountaineers. It was Dintiman all the way as he picked up as much yardage as the entire Mansfield team. He scored four touchdowns and, in the process, covered a total of 151 yards from scrimmage.

Mansfield finally got moving early



Williamsport and Lock Haven  
Pennsylvania



# THE STUDENT UNION

## SPORTSCRIPT

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seniors who showed up got a well deserved round of applause. Joe Wisowski talked like he meant what he said and proved it the next day. Bill Dewey sounded convincing when he said it was no time for jokes. More guys ought to take the game as seriously as these two. Incidentally, Bill did more than his share in winning that one for Danny Bills. I never saw finer downfield blocks.

### WRESTLING

According to recent information from reliable sources there will definitely be wrestling of some sort this fall. It hardly seems likely that

a varsity schedule will be arranged this year — only intramural competition will be available until some semblance of a squad is assembled. Coach Stelmack will be in charge of the grapplers and is expecting a large turnout.

With this fourth sport added, more athletic opportunities become available for the men students here at Mansfield.

### INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

Although preparations have not yet begun, this is the time of year when guys begin to think of intramural squads for the coming basketball season. A very fine set-up and schedule is being arranged each year and our intramurals are probably the most popular activity on campus. Almost all the guys compete and show a great deal of enthusiasm. Last year's race went right down to the wire when the Navy Blue and Phi

Sig teams played a scorching overtime tilt. Unfortunately Phi Sig was on the short end of the final score but signs indicate another strong entry from that outfit this year. The Flashlight intends giving closer coverage to the Intramural situation this year than it has in the past.

### MSTC Building Project Given Consideration At Harrisburg

According to a release from Harrisburg, plans are getting underway for a \$640,000 MSTC building project which was approved some time ago.

The Committee in Architects and Engineers of the General State Authority has been asked by GSA Acting Executive Director K. R. Burke to select designers for \$640,000 worth of projects at Mansfield State Teachers College.

The proposed projects: library and administration building, \$520,000; comprehensive study of the campus, \$4,000; athletic field, \$85,000; extension of utility services, \$31,000.

Burke said the Mansfield projects, among nearly \$7½ million to be expended at the various state teachers colleges, were made possible under the additional \$100 million in GSA borrowing granted by the last Legislature.

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# DR. WENDT TO SPEAK ON ATOMIC ENERGY

## PHI SIGMA PI ADDS SEVEN BROTHERS

During the recent initiation of Phi Sigma Pi, national education fraternity for men in teacher preparation, seven men students were pledged to be members and were initiated into the fraternity. To be eligible for membership, one must have superior scholastic, professional, and social standing and must have spent at least one year at the college. The new members are Robert Dibble, Harold Hackett, Donald Rogers, Ralph Rogers, William Shoemaker, William Thompson, and Gary Whittaker.

The initiation lasted for one week. The men had to dress in good attire for the week and wore the emblem of the fraternity. During the week they had certain projects to carry out. They had to clean the workshop of a former Phi Sig brother. As a group they had to earn ten dollars to give to the college Christmas lighting committee; this had to be earned and not donated. Their evenings were occupied by a scavenger hunt, treasure hunt, and other off campus projects. Little sleep and hard work sum up the activities for the week.

After the weeks initiation was completed, an informal initiation was held in the Science Building; this was the activity of the initiation which the fellows regarded as the worst. After the informal initiation a formal initiation, the concluding activity, was held in the St. James Episcopal Church. After the ceremony the men were no longer pledges for they had finally reached their goal, membership into the fraternity.

### CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE



Carolyn Gregory, Wayne Teed, and Elsie Weirich  
L-R Marilyn Christ, Russ LaForce,

# Annual Vesper Service Presented In Straughn

The Mansfield State Teachers College presented its annual program of Christmas music at the College Community Vesper Service on Sunday evening, December 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The service opened with the prelude, Canon duodecimi toni by G. Gabrieli. This was played antiphonally by the Brass Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Benjamin Husted. Choral music was sung by the Music Department Chorus under the direction of Mr. Eugene Jones and accompanied by Miss Florence Borkey.

The program consisted of motets, anthems, carols, and a cantata.

The motets, "Jubilate Deo" by DeLassus, "O magnum mysterium" by Vittorino, and "Lo, How a Rose e'er blooming" by Praetorius were done a cappella. "From Heights of

## Assembly To Feature Distinguished Scientist

Dr. Gerald Wendt, one of America's foremost spokesmen for science, will speak in Straughn Auditorium on January 8. His subject will be "The Atom and You."

Dr. Wendt analyzes the present atomic energy crisis as only a scientist can. He sees beyond it to startling developments in industry, education, economics, agriculture, medicine and living conditions. From his intimate knowledge of progress in research, he can take us into the future and show us these developments and their effects on us.

In the early 1920's, Dr. Wendt was the first American to attempt the disintegration of the atom. He was among the first experts on radium and radioactivity in the U. S. Bureau of Mines. As a student, he wrote, "The Nature of the Atom" for which he won the Bowdoin Prize for Literature. He has also explored new fields of research on hydrogen, petroleum, and foods.

Most of the student body will be alive in the year 2000. Long before then says Dr. Wendt, "the atomic age will be in flower. It is time to prepare for it."

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# Tree Lighting Opens Festivities For College's 100th Christmas

PRINCIPALS IN TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY



L-R Merle Maxson, Shirley Sandrock, Tom Allis

## Ceremony Headed By Allis, Maxson

The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony, traditional herald of the official Christmas season, was held in front of Straughn Hall Friday evening, December 7.

Merle Maxson, Master of Ceremonies, announced the evening's events and then introduced Tom Allis, Student Council President, who would officially light the Christmas trees.

Mr. Allis in a brief address reminded his listeners that the Christmas season is symbolic of one of the greatest events in the history of man... a season which stimulates within each person a motivation to give spiritually. As he wished the student body a Merry Christmas from the Student Council, he turned the switch that transformed the shadowy tree into an effulgent spectacle of Christmas beauty, well destined to kindle the Yuletide spirit in what was now Mansfield's official Christmas season.

As the lights went on, Dr. Benjamin Husted's Brass Ensemble played.

At the close of the song, Mr. Maxson turned the program over to Bill Brocklebank who led the assemblage in the singing of the favorite carols.

After several numbers a break was called so that all might enjoy Miss Shirley Sandrock's reading of "The Carol That Never Was Sung" and "The Christmas Angel" as read by Fern Geshwindt. Miss Geshwindt's reading was followed by more group caroling with the Brass Ensemble accompanying.

Mr. Maxson reminded the audience that all were invited to attend the program by the Freshman Chorus, which was scheduled to start in a few minutes in Straughn Hall, and that the men of South Hall were holding open house at 9:00 p.m. He then closed the ceremony with a wish for a very Merry Christmas to all.

## Fraternity Presents Dramatic Adaptation

As is the annual tradition, Alpha Psi Omega, the national honorary dramatic fraternity, presented the Christmas assembly program, December 11. In keeping with the Yuletide spirit, the 14 members of Alpha Psi Omega presented a unique radio adaptation of Charles Dickens' classic "A Christmas Carol."

The president of the fraternity, Shirley Ann Boyce, led the devotions and introduced the program of dramatic reading.

Members of the cast were as follows:

- Scrooge—Donald Brooks
- Marley—William Ide
- First ghost—Michele Cotter
- Second ghost—Richard Haven
- Third ghost—Michele Cotter
- Fan—Ann Taylor
- Belle—Margaret Noll
- Bob Cratchit—Bernard Freer
- Tiny Tim—Ann Taylor
- Mrs. Cratchit—Margaret Noll
- A gentleman—Irving Chatterton
- First man—Robert Swinsick
- Second man—Richard Haven
- Martha—Shirley Ann Boyce
- First boy—Shirley Ann Boyce
- Second boy—Michele Cotter
- Fred—Robert Swinsick

The stage crew responsible for the lighting, sound effects, and programs was composed of Wayne King, Dawn Harer, and Ann Mosher.

## Classes Plan Green Door

The annual freshman-sophomore dance, one of the biggest events of the school year, will be held Saturday, January 12, 1957, from 8 p.m. until 12 p.m. in the gymnasium. A roomful of surprises awaits all who pass through the Green Door into a diamond shaped chamber of crepe paper with large green pillars rising to the false ceiling. Refreshments will be served, and the entertainment committee is planning a program for presentation during intermission. Dress for this event is semi-formal. The orchestra has not yet been chosen.

General chairmen of the dance are Marilyn Christ and Sally Johnson. Co-chairmen of the various committees are as follows: refreshments, Penny Hoffman and Ariel Prugh; decorations, Fern Joy Geshwindt and James Besanceney; entertainment, Tony Strupcowski and Parker Allis; publicity, Nancy Miller; tickets, Betsy Roberts and Linda Wittig.

# Juniors, S. C. A. Capture First Grecian Sing Honors

On Saturday, December 8, Mansfield's first annual Grecian Sing made its debut in Straughn Auditorium.

Representatives from 17 campus organizations made the competition very stiff and it was with justifiable pride that Robert Keenan, president of the junior class accepted the first award ribbon for his group for their presentation of "Silent Night." The second place ribbon was captured by S.C.A. who sang a medley of carols.

The judges who capably handled the difficult task of selecting the winner were Dr. Clarence Mutchler, Dr. Clarence Hunsicker, Miss Marjorie Brooks, Mrs. Elizabeth Morales, and Miss Ellamae Jackson. They based their decisions on a six-point evaluation criteria: appropriateness for the season, originality in presentation, musical quality in presentation, diction, stage appearance, and audience appeal.

Lambda Mu and the Music Education Club though banned from competition as music organizations were generous enough to appear and presented very fine numbers.

The organizations that entered

competitively and their selections were:

- Kappa Delta Pi—The Sleigh Song
- Sigma Zeta—Deck the Halls
- S.C.A.—Oh, Come All Ye Faithful
- A.C.E.I.—Joy to the World, The Coventry Carol, O Come All Ye Faithful
- College Players—The Infant Jesus
- Carontawan—Up on the Housetop
- Flashlight—Adeste Fideles
- M Club—We Three Kings
- W.A.A.—I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus
- Women's Dorm Council—Little Lord Jesus
- Men's Dorm Council—Santa Claus is Coming to Town
- Day Students Club—Carol of the Bells
- Freshman Class—Child of the Night
- Sophomore Class—Wassail Song
- Junior Class—Silent Night
- Senior Class—White Christmas
- Omicron Gamma Pi—Angels We Have Heard on High
- The Grecian Sing committee was composed of Bob Hinkelman, Jean Francis, and Jim Besanceney under Co-chairman Lois Cox and Steve Popovitch.

## End Holiday Week Gay Dinner, Dance

The annual Christmas dinner was served in the college dining hall at 6:00 p.m., last night. Beaded stars, angels, and lighted candles formed the centerpieces for the tables. After a song of blessing by Robert Swinsick the students and guests enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner. The dinner guests were President and Mrs. Morgan, Dr. and Mrs. Earley, Dean and Mrs. Long, Miss Florence Borkey, and Mr. and Mrs. Benetic. During the dinner Cyril Stretansky directed the student body in carol singing. He was accompanied by William Brockelbank. In the first floor well after the dinner, the chorus of Lambda Mu presented a program of appropriate Christmas music.

The annual Christmas dance was held last night from 8-11:00 p.m. in the college gymnasium which was decorated with angels, a tree, and other appropriate Christmas decorations. Dancing music was provided by The Esquires. Following the dance the Seniors carolled on campus and at the homes of faculty members.





### Thoughts on Blue Books and School Spirit.

Blue books—dreaded words for some students. They connote endless hours of studying (cramming?) for most. It is debated time and time again as to their worth. True, the students are aware of their existence from the beginning of the course and if properly followed they should cause no alarm. There are those students who argue that they “freeze” when put under pressure of that sort. It seems, however, that confidence would dispel that argument.

Mansfield is contemplating the use of these examinations in the future. They would give students a chance to show what they really know. They would also give instructors a clearer picture of how well their students have comprehended the instruction. These books should not be the basis of the entire mark. As it is now the instructor would include class discussion, term papers, and quizzes as well as the grade from the blue book.

But perhaps our present system is better . . .

And so the debate goes on.

School spirit is a topic heralded from every high school and college—either the maximum amount of it or the very small portion. When it comes right down to a definition of school spirit, what is it? Is it merely cheering loudly at a basketball or football game? Is it merely taking an active part in some organization on campus? Or is it perhaps merely being a good student?

Somehow not one of these things begins to define school spirit. It is a combination of all three and then some. It means that each and every student feels proud of his school and shows it. He believes in its ideals, its teams, its curricula and its students. When you “have” school spirit, you love your school and stand up for it. After graduation you proudly acclaim yourself as a graduate. You become a living organism taking with you everything possible that it offers.

Once you have attained the spirit, the rest is easy. When you are an actual breathing, living part of something, you do not have to prove it. It shows. It shows in everything you do and in everything you say about your school. Let's show it.

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Well, we have just waved a fond farewell to November with its elections, turkey, pumpkin pie, and --- last, but not least --- its vacation. And what a vacation! Let's pause a few minutes to reminisce.

Four of our coeds will never forget their 1956 Thanksgiving. Joyce Helsel received a “sparkler” from Myron Clouse of New Enterprise, Pa. Harry Brown of Eaton, Pa. presented Jane Ramson with an engagement ring, and “Ginny” Trautschold was the recipient of a beautiful diamond ring from Don Williams, a 1956 graduate of M.S.T.C. And highlighting her Thanksgiving Delores Huggins became Mrs. George Leber. Both Delores and George are seniors this year.

Barbara Jones and Billy Loftus were pinned in November. Later in the month, the members of Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities were announced. Eleven deserving students from M.S.T.C. were listed among the nation's best; however, many students were quite amazed to find that several other outstanding seniors were absent from this coveted list. Two of these “neglected souls” have first names corresponding to a famous cat and mouse team. All this --- and November disintegrated into fragmentary memories while December came softly and silently into existence. White, beautiful, glistening snow characterized this month from the first. I agree with the songwriter; it is a marshmallow world in the winter. But, believe me, it's not a marshmallow world in North Hall!

Here we are --- caught in the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season. Again it's the time of year when we find organizations rehearsing for the Grecian Sing, the seniors and S.C.A. members caroling, and students decorating the campus --- both inside and outside. (Note the “Cool Yule” and “Frantic First” window display at South Hall, and the “Merry Christmas” window display at North Hall.) Yes, we certainly can classify this time of year as the “most”

News Predictions: Gary Cruttenden will wed Connie Erway on December 16, and Phyllis Bailey will marry Dick Jacquish during the Christmas holidays. News Flashes: Mr. and Mrs. William Ruth are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mrs. Ruth was formerly Jean Kershner. Joyce Wilkins has announced her engagement to Frank Caldwell. (Notice Joyce writing left-handed lately.)

To end this column, I think I'll try my hand at rephrasing some poetry.

'Twas the night before leaving  
And all through the dorm  
Not a creature was stirring  
Not even a worm . . . . .

Oh, my! I guess I'll never be a poet, so I'll conclude with a line from the original “Happy Christmas to all, and to all a goodnight.”

BARB PRESS

## Faithful Alumnus Dies After Illness

Mr. Karl F. Van Norman, librarian at Mansfield Free Public Library for 28 years died recently at his home at 20 College Avenue.

A graduate of Mansfield State Normal School in 1906, Mr. Van Norman was a star quarterback with the football team. Since that time he has missed scarcely a single home football game, and he has been graduate manager of athletics. His loyalty to the school has been unflinching.

After many years of devoted service, Mr. Van Norman retired from his post as librarian in February, due to ill health. His father, Harvey J. Van Norman, was one of the original trustees of the library at Mansfield and an instructor in French at the college.

Another of Mr. Van Norman's many interests was the theater, and he introduced sound movies to the community. His association with the Mansfield theater lasted for 53 years. He began as an usher at the old Mansfield Opera House in 1903, later was a featured pianist in the Theatorium in Mansfield, and in 1911 bought that same theater.

## In and Out Of Books

Carlos Gutierrez

C.G.: What in the name of Mansfield shall I write about this month, hon? I feel my public is slipping away in disinterest. Mrs. G.: You really should concern yourself with something that captures the Christmas spirit.

C.G.: But I didn't read anything that even remotely discusses Christmas. I read AUNTIE MAME and LUCY CROWN.

Mrs. G.: Well, you certainly are ill-prepared to write a December book review column. I have an idea, though! I read MERRY CHRISTMAS, MR. BAXTER by Edward Streeter as published by . . . .

C.G.: O.K., O.K.—don't go into detail! You tell them about your MERRY CHRISTMAS, MR. BAXTER, and when you're through, I'll review AUNTIE MAME. Nobody will know that we are cheating—that I didn't even read this Mr. Baxter business.

Mrs. G.: Oh, even if they did, they would take my word for it. You aren't the only one in the family who can read books you know.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, MR. BAXTER is the story of a self-made executive who fails to see the value of the Christmas “hullabaloo.” He has made his place in the world through careful, unceremonious calculation, and the gala celebration that accompanies Christmas seems wasteful and pointless to him. As the story unfolds we discover that the cold attitude of Mr. B. is merely a false front. Eventually he develops the true spirit and attacks Christmas in an all-out fashion. The plot isn't deep, but the lesson is clear and will help those who have difficulty finding a value in Christmas.

C.G.: Very well, dear, I'll stand behind you on that one, but now let me tell about AUNTIE MAME.

Mrs. G.: If everyone falls out of their chairs laughing as you did while you read AUNTIE MAME, I would recommend the book too. Honestly, I thought you were having seizures—Is AUNTIE MAME that hilarious?

C.G.: It most certainly is. It was written by Patrick Dennis—which is actually a pseudonym—but anyway, this young writer tells about his fabulous Auntie Mame—an individualist's individualist. Mame was a semi-wealthy New York City widow who lived as completely and was as absorbed in living as one can be. Mr. Dennis came into his aunt's care as the result of his father's (her brother's) death. Mame schooled the youngster in the ways of the world—usually from a realistic, uninhibited slant.

Mame and the boy live throughout the 30's, 40's, and 50's and enter into some of the most uproarious situations imaginable. They range from the attending of a modernistic (scandalous) elementary school to the adopting of six war orphans who all possess delinquent natures.

For those who enjoy a realistic picture of life which is colored with bohemianism, ivy-leaguism, and down-to-earthism, AUNTIE MAME is the book.

## TAKE FIVE

by Ralph Verrastro

Of all the learning one acquires in college perhaps the most important is the technique of being able to do quick and accurate research. I believe that our beloved George Bernard Shaw once said, “If you don't know, be sure to know where to find out.” This quotation certainly has proven its worth, considering that Plato, among others, said the same thing many years ago; and I might add --- in many more words.

In writing this column I frequently refer to a number of authoritative publications concerning veteran affairs, and just as frequently I am disappointed by the voting on veteran legislation. Granted, we have received many benefits in the last few years, but some (the important ones) have been walked and talked until they no longer, or faintly resemble the original bill. With the outcome of the current election as it is, we will have

many new faces in our legislative bodies. This is a good thing, regardless of the party beliefs for these men are all individuals at heart. The old saying of a new broom making a clean sweep may be true, and in our case I sincerely wish someone would litter the floor with the answer to our big question: How to raise money for our State Bonus. As you remember, the bill itself was passed last spring, but the actual means of raising the money was put off until the January 1957 session.

With Christmas vacation upon us and most of us owning cars, I would like to insert a word of caution: Drive carefully, remember what happened to Quent last year. Let's have no repeat performance.

“Merry Christmas to all and to all a goodnight.”

See you in Church.

## DEADLINE

by russ laforce

The whistle sounded mournfully as the train rounded the northern curve and bore down upon the rural crossing. A rumble and a roar and it was gone save for the clicking of the cars' wheels as they obediently followed the engine into the gathering dusk. Silence settled around the little crossing, and darkness began to collect in various places of seclusion as if it were trying to hide.

Presently a low, growling sound came from the south, and a headlight swung into view. Several shiny passenger cars were following the diesel and glistened in the waning light. The diesel's horn blatted its arrogance to the listening countryside, and the train swept haughtily by and into the night. Once again silence reigned supreme over the quiet landscape.

Then, as if by a tremendous surge of current, the entire countryside was electrified by the ominous sound which

grew with each tick of the clock. It was the sound of disaster. Two trains were approaching on this single track line.

From the north a fast freight pounded southward bent on keeping schedule. Steam poured from the top as every bit of energy was put to use.

From the south another diesel passenger train sped on its way northward, to keep a tragic rendezvous, unknown to its engineer or crew.

They met at the little rural crossing with a terrific roar. Sparks flew and a fire was started. Cars lay strewn about as if a terrific hand had scattered them. Here and there a car moved a little and settled into its position of disorder. Chaos was now ruling. Then a little boy started to cry.

“Daddy! Where are you, Daddy?” he whimpered. “Come quick, I've busted my electric train, and Santa Claus just brought it today!”



## POET'S CORNER

### THOUGHTS ON DESEGREGATION

A strangely subtle line divides the North and South  
its subtleties are whispers  
(with falsetto intonations)  
unconscious gestures  
and the like.  
Who never sees it  
finds it foreign to his nature;  
who disregards it  
(studiedly or otherwise)  
becomes a part of  
it  
becomes a part of them  
(more foreign than before)  
—to nature—  
objection from the floor?  
I yield the platform  
(the second of three)  
if there be a man among us  
let him speak.

M. Faith Zimmer

## Who, What, and Why Of Christmas Customs

By Jo Bowen

Many of our Christmas Traditions originally came from other countries, and we have added our own ideas to these old traditions.

Do you know where Santa Claus came from? In Holland, to celebrate Christmas Eve, someone dressed up as St. Nicholas and gave gifts to all the children of the town. The children changed his name to "Ni Klaus" as time went on. The Spanish changed

"Saint" to "Santa." The red-coated figure is the American idea of "Santa Claus" and the prancing reindeer were given to us by the Norwegian tradition.

Do you know who sang the first Christmas carols? St. Francis of Assisi is responsible for writing words to some church chants for the townspeople to sing. These carols found their way into England through Miracle plays. On one occasion the singers marched out of the church into the streets joyously singing. The congregation joined in and formed the first group of carollers.

How did people start sending Christmas cards? The first cards were done by English school boys in order to practise penmanship and also to influence the teacher. These cards were

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## Mansfield Citizen Cheerful To End Of Varied Career

By Bob Saar

Jack Austin was just an ordinary citizen of Mansfield, but he knew that he was going to die.

Three years ago, while he was selling real estate in Clearwater, Florida, a birthmark on his left leg started to irritate him. A doctor's diagnoses of his trouble revealed the advanced stages of a deadly and rare disease called "Black Cancer." He was told that he had only six to eight months to live.

This area is Jack's country, and it was to this area that he then returned --- to die. Jack liked the quiet little town of Mansfield. He loved the hillside, the nearby trout streams, and the people. In the past Jack had been a semi-pro baseball player, a barber, a beauty shop operator, a post master, and a real estate broker. At the time he left Clearwater he was the president of "Rogers and Austin," a firm of real estate brokers.

Jack chose to ignore the doctor's warning and opened a barber shop. His active past would not let him stop working. He outlived the eight months the doctors had given him and continued as if nothing were out of the ordinary. He was a barber, but he was also an ardent fisherman and hunter. Mr. Jay Foreman, an instructor at MSTC, and one of Jack's good friends, said of him, "Jack Austin could catch trout when no one else could." Jack was a man who had also conquered the trials of alcoholism, and he used his experience to help other men through the agency of "Alcoholics Anonymous."

For three years he lived in Mansfield on borrowed time. Last December, however, he was told that his left leg would have to be removed. The cancer was moving. In January the leg was amputated, but by spring he was back in his shop. Jack had optimistic plans for the future. The thing that seemed to concern

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Two M.S.T.C. students pause a minute while "on the air" to have a Flashlight picture taken. Sam Fox, seated behind the "board" or control panel at radio station

WNBT, Wellsboro, is a freshman, while his working partner, George Litzberg, standing, is a sophomore. Both broadcasters are in the Secondary Education Department at the college.

## Students Work to Get Degree While Spinning Dics at WNBT

By Bill Ide

While many Mansfield students are working their way through college, perhaps none of their work is as interesting as that of a pair of day students who are "talking" their way to a degree in Education.

Literally that is just what Sam Fox and George Litzberg are doing. After attending daily classes they head for Radio Station WNBT in Wellsboro, where as part time announcers the two ambitious men earn the money which is putting them through college.

Both Sam and George are in the Secondary Department here at MSTC. Sam, a freshman, is a major in mathematics. George, a sophomore transfer from West Chester STC, is also interested in math but leans more towards science as a major field. The two future "Swayze's of the air" are close friends and since they both live in Middlebury Center, they take turns driving to classes.

When asked how their college work and their radio work conflicted, both students agreed that they did not. Class assignments are completed in the college library or the day student's room before their radio tasks begin. In fact they both felt that they were learning in both places.

"There's one thing about being on the air," said George, "it makes us think fast and act fast. That's a good habit to get into." "Besides," he continued, "we hear all kinds of music every day which helps us in our music classes; we have to give news casts, which keeps us up on our current

events and helps with history and geography, and we have to learn how to read accurately and for content."

Sam added his comment to the topic, "We also use a lot of our general station experience in classes. You know, public speaking, getting along with all kinds of people, punctuality ... 'course we're not always on time for classes, but we sure try ... and things like that."

The two agreed that their broadcasting work is "fascinating." They can't state exactly why, except, as George puts it, "The work is never boring because there is such a variety of it." These words are proven by noticing their various duties. Sam is on duty from 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and has spotted hours at other times. George fills in similar hours the remainder of the week. During that time they are responsible for selecting and finding records, interviewing people, answering phone calls or mail, editing the news, learning to properly read new and different commercials, "piping" in network programs, logging everything aired, and completing general announcing duties.

George, a member of the college band, has recorded several of that organization's musical performances and arranged for them to be presented over the air. Sam and he both expressed hopes for additional broadcasts to originate from the campus.

WNBT, located at 1490 on the dial, makes good radio reception possible in this hilly "fringe" countryside. It is affiliated with the Mutual Broadcasting network.

## SCHOOL JOURNALISM AN INTEREST OF MISS HOLCOMBE FOR MANY YEARS

An interview by George Beyer

"Journalism is one of the most fascinating extra-curricular activities." This is the belief of Miss Jean L. Holcombe, Assistant Professor of English and the new co-adviser of THE FLASHLIGHT.

The Flashlight operates much like most other school or college papers, Miss Holcombe told a FLASHLIGHT reporter in an interview.

There is, she said, a "very cooperative feeling in the staff. I have liked the staff meetings very much."

Miss Holcombe, who has joined Dr. Elizabeth M. Swan as adviser to the paper, is well qualified to speak on the subject of student publications. For about twenty years, she was adviser for THE ORIOLE, published at the Towanda, Pennsylvania Junior-Senior High School, where she was head of the English department.

This newspaper took first place for several years after the war in the competitions of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association and the Pennsylvania School Press Association. Out of the several hundred school papers entered in THE ORIOLE's division, about six or eight generally made first place.

In addition, the sports page of THE ORIOLE won honorable mention at a special Penn State contest

for all the student newspapers in the state.

Miss Holcombe was adviser for THE ORIOLE for about 20 years; in fact, the paper was begun under her advisership.

It was hard for THE ORIOLE to keep going during the Second World War, Miss Holcombe related. After the war, however, the publication entered a very successful period.

To indicate the devotion of the students who worked on THE ORIOLE, Miss Holcombe told how, about 1946, she broke her ankle and was unable to help with the paper. The staff went right ahead and published a good issue.

"The way the boys carried on was quite remarkable," she commented.

Miss Holcombe taught English at Towanda for about 30 years before coming to Mansfield in September, 1955, to join the English department here. Although her active teaching at Towanda was mostly of college entrance courses for the eleventh and twelfth grades, her position as head of the English department extended to both the junior and senior high divisions of the joint school.

"I have always loved English teaching," she remarked.

At the college, Miss Holcombe is now teaching mostly general English subjects. However, she does

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PURE CASE OF MALNUTRITION

## More On Kissing

By Lois Cox

You cannot say that all women never want to kiss, but it is well known that, with few exceptions, all women have kissed solely for pay.

Starting at three the fast-learning, feminine tot gets a penny every time she kisses a certain uncle she dislikes.

Three or four years later she kisses the boy across the aisle from her in school so that she and not the teacher will get the shiny red apple from his father's tree.

At 10 she manages a ride on a boy's riding horse if she will give that desired kiss.

At 12 or 13 she begins to want to kiss, but—besides, no boy would ask her to a party if she didn't since post office has become a great pastime at such functions.

During the high school years her returns vary greatly and range from the dollar-a-kiss-church benefit to kissing a guy she doesn't especially care for just so he'll ask her to the college he's attending for some big weekend.

After school, many become married. And who knows but what a kiss may give the final push needed to sway the husband to the side of the fence that says, "Yes, dear,

you really do need three new spring outfits."

A few more years go by and the husband has (through friendly persuasion) been convinced that their children definitely should go to a private school.

By the time their daughters are in the "college weekend" stage the little woman has her fur coat. How? Oh, ho ... guess!

Please don't get the wrong idea about women; they aren't always scheming and conniving. Some members of this greater sex will indulge in "necking" just as a pastime. This type of act can be caused by dates who are boring conversation-alists, poor listeners, or all-around squares.

Some girls, out with the hero or Romeo type, will kiss him because she knows he not only expects the kiss but takes it for granted.

Then there's the kiss following the wedding ceremony. This and other examples are the ceremonial or celebrated type.

With many girls, kissing a guy goodnight shows him that she had a wonderful time and enjoyed being with him.

This just about concludes the kisses of a woman.

Did I forget one?  
Oh, yes, it could be she loves the guy.

## Comments On Vacation

By Len Yaudes

Before vacation gets underway at least three parents will drive up to North Hall, read the no parking sign, ignore it, and tie up traffic for a long irritating spell. Three girls and two fellows will lock themselves outside of their rooms and spend a hectic few minutes finding the Dean. Two fathers will get as far as third floor before being told "No Men Allowed." One car will stall back of South Hall, another car will refuse to start completely, and a third car will develop a flat tire after the luggage is loaded. One girl will break down and have a big Hollywood-inspired crying scene before kissing her steady good-by. A half dozen fellows will be coaxed into writing letters every day during vacation. At least seven students will take down addresses and phone numbers and then leave them at the dorm, while another half dozen will take the addresses, but lose them in transit. Two or three students will give up hopes of anyone coming for them and start checking bus transportation, while two or three parents will wonder if Jane will ever get her things together. About seven o'clock the campus will become deserted save for a stray bow tie carelessly lost from a loaded car and a colorful glove left on the arcade.

During vacation at least one third of the students will work part-time. Two thirds of the students will never open the books taken home to "be caught up." Six students will be lucky enough to go to Florida for the sun and return with a tan even though a General Electric bulb supplied the ultraviolet ray. Another half dozen students will wish they were back at Mansfield while another full dozen will watch the coming of January 3 with horror. About three girls will trade in their fraternity pins for diamonds; one couple will break up; and another couple will surprise everyone by a Yuletide marriage. Half the students will overeat, be uncomfortable and jokingly promise never to eat again. Ten students will attend mediocre holiday parties which will be glamorized until they will dominate bull sessions until Easter. Other students who have spent the last fourteen weeks telling their roommates how terrible a place Mansfield is will suddenly start telling their buddies at home what good times they are having at college and how well they like Mansfield. Thus goes Christmas vacation.

After vacation --- Perish the thought --- MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR



# Activities of Campus Organizations

## MEN'S DORMITORY

The men's dorm has sponsored an extremely successful weekend activity and is looking forward to having another in the future. The members of the council extend a hearty thank you to Joe Witowski and his committee which had as its members John McHale, Cyril Stretansky, Jerry Stanberry, William Shoemaker, Robert Benson and Don Johnson for lending their time and ability to the project.

The men of the dorm are enjoying the latest addition to the recreation room—a dart board which has been placed there under the supervision of John Harcharek. Thanks, John!

On Friday, December 7 from 9:00 to 11:00 p. m. open house was sponsored by members of the dorm who played the role of host to the entire faculty and student body.

## GAMMA THETA UPSILON

Correction: There were four names omitted from the list of Gamma Theta Upsilon pledges in the November issue of THE FLASHLIGHT. With humble apologies to each individual the names omitted were: Sam Krieg, Bill Sandler, Bob Sealey, and Tom Borgeson.

There was no meeting of the fraternity in December.

## KAPPA OMICRON PHI

The Founder's Day Banquet was held December 8 at the Baptist Church. This semester pledging began November 26 for all eligible girls. The pledges are Teddy Queipo, Mary Ellen Walters, Evelyn Miller, JoAnn Hoffman, and Cathy Parke.

No January meeting is planned.

## PHI SIGMA PI

Phi Sigma Pi held its formal initiation December 12. Seven new pledges were "run through the mill" the preceding week, which was brought to a climax that night. These pledges were Gary Whittaker, Ralph Rogers, Don Rogers, Bob Dibble, Hal Hackett, Bill Shoemaker, and Bill Thompson.

## ART CLUB NEWS

Christmas spirit reigned on campus thanks to the many decorations done by the Art Club.

The steps on front campus were trimmed with evergreens.

The trees gracing the balconies in Straugh Auditorium were outlined with ornaments given to the club by the Corning Glass Center. Also two trees on each side of the stage were trimmed with other decorations.

In North Hall the tree in second floor well held numerous beaded stars and lights. This motif was also carried out in the dining room during the Christmas dinner.

All members worked hard to fill the campus with a holiday atmosphere.

One great future event being planned by the club is making a mural for the "Hut."

## WOMEN'S DORM

The Dormitory Council represented the Women's Dorm in the Grecian Sing. They sang **LITTLE LORD JESUS**.

The Council is taking suggestions as to what to do with the money from the washers. They are considering purchasing many new items for the dormitory.

Fourth floor well won the prize for their Christmas decorations.

## DAY STUDENTS' NEWS

For their approaching weekend, the day students are planning a square dance. This dance will be Saturday, January 5, in the Student Center.

The club is planning a revision of their constitution. The committee for this revision consists of George Beyer and Joan and Jim Wilson.

## LAMBDA MU

Lambda Mu had formal initiation of two new members on November 13. The members, Shirley Wilcox and Miss Georgia Standing, gave a formal recital after initiation. Miss Standing is a new member of the faculty of the music department.

The members of Lambda Mu sang after the Christmas dinner last evening. The following selections were sung: "Hear, King of Angels", Johann Sebastian Bach; "Noel, Noel", Gevaert; "Christmas Rose", a Catalonian folk song; "Christmas Bells", Ruth Bampton; "Lulle Lullay", folk song from Tennessee; "The Slumber of the Infant Jesus", Gevaert; "Carol of the Bells", M. Leontovitch; "In Excelsis Deo", French carol; and a special arrangement of "Winter Wonderland", made by Dr. Helen Henry. Dr. Henry conducted and Miss Florence Borkey accompanied the choir.

## OMICRON GAMMA PI

A sale of United Nations cook books is underway.

At the December Meeting Miss Ruth Billings was the guest speaker. Her topic was "Christmas in Bermuda."

Christmas decorations in the Home Economics Department have been done by members of Omicron Gamma Pi.

The sorority sold Student Directories containing names of the faculty, students, and their home addresses.

The January meeting is planned.

## MUSIC EDUCATION CLUB

All senior music students attended the Pennsylvania Music Education Association convention held at the Penn Harris Hotel in Harrisburg, November 29, 30, and December 1.

While there, the delegates heard the U. S. Air Force Band, with the "Singing Sergeants", the Rittenhouse String Quartet, and the Duquesne University Brass Choir. Mansfield's Renaissance Singers also sang in the program.

## KAPPA DELTA PI

"Europe: A Girl Scout's Dream" was the theme of the program for Beta Rho Chapter's December 6 meeting. Miss Shirley Sandrock, who acted as one of the guides for a Girl Scout tour of Europe last summer, related some of the highlights of her trip. She also showed beautiful colored slides.

Also to this meeting each member was permitted to bring a guest, as this was the Christmas meeting.

## S. C. A.

A chalk talk was featured at the November 29 meeting of the Student Christian Association. This interesting discussion was prepared and presented by Mrs. Rieppel of Mansfield. Students on campus can find two samples of her handiwork hanging on the north wall of "The Hut".

On December 3 the S.C.A. journeyed to the Blossburg Hospital to sing carols for the patients. This is an annual and much anticipated event for the organization.

Special consideration should be given to plans for attending the panel discussion on January 10, 1957. At this time Professor Seibert and Professor Beyer of the college will present to the group a discussion on "Religion and Science."

Another speciality by the club will be a series of discussions on "Love and Matrimony" which are planned for the beginning of the second semester.

## Who, What, and Why

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called "School pieces" and were lavishly decorated. One Englishman, Sir Henry Cole, had some cards designed for him to send to his friends. A few cards were sold around 1858 but cards with messages of affection and cheer

# German Type Christmas Revealed

By Celie Sullivan

Christmas is basically the same throughout the world—a celebration of the birth of Christ. Every country has customs, quite different and interesting, which are connected with the Christmas season.

On our campus are two girls who have spent Christmas in Germany. Julia Kruemberg, a freshman home ec student, was born and reared in Germany. She has been in the United States only three years. Warren Center, Pennsylvania, is where she makes her home with her parents, two brothers, and a sister. Joyce Glenn is a freshman majoring in secondary education. Joyce's father is a U.S. Army officer stationed in Munich, Germany. During the 16 months she spent there she attended the University of Maryland, Munich Branch. Joyce is originally from Austin, Pennsylvania.

This is the way Julie and Joyce described Christmas in Germany. Preparations begun four weeks prior to Christmas. This time is called Advent. The people spend this period preparing themselves for the important day by prayers and fasting. In every home is a green wreath with four red candles. With each passing week in Advent one of the candles is lighted. It is on December 6 that St. Nicholas pays his visit to the children. At this time he brings nuts, fruit and small goodies.

Julie mentioned that it was her feeling that Christmas is too commercialized in America. In the betting up displays and decorations. The German people begin their decorations only four or five days before Christmas.

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The tree is placed in the living room. The father decorates the tree and then locks the doors so that no other member of the family can enter. After dinner on Christmas Eve, father first enters the living room and lights the candles on the tree. The family gathers round the tree and sings carols. The most popular of these is "Stille Nacht." The Christmas story is then read. Following this the presents are opened. Everyone attends midnight services in the churches. Christmas Day and the day after are spent at home or visiting friends and relatives.

January 6 is the celebration of The Three Wise Men. Children go through the streets of the town. A burning torch is carried by the leader. They go from home to home asking for fruit and goodies.

The Germans extend their holiday until the middle of January; so really they celebrate Christmas longer than we do here in this country.

Each of these girls has given a thought over which we might ponder particularly during this season for giving thanks.

Julie: Life is what you make it—in any country. It is the easiest in United States due to the freedoms and conveniences present here.

Joyce: People are interesting. I like them. Everyone has something to offer.

Human nature is the same all over the world. No matter where you go you will find the same personalities.

## The President's Lady School Journalism

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have two specialized courses: journalism and developmental reading. The former is a practical course in writing for a newspaper, while the latter is given in an effort to improve students' study habits.

Miss Holcombe's father was editor of the Bradford, Pennsylvania, **REPUBLICAN** in his earlier years. It may have been his influence, she thought, that inspired her interest in journalism.

She added, however, that "I have always been interested in newspapers."

Seeing a student whom she taught go on from high school into the newspaper world is something that Miss Holcombe has always enjoyed. One of her former students, who was on THE CORNELL DAILY SUN during his university days, is now on the staff of THE BALTIMORE SUN.

As she put it, "I'm just glad to see them go ahead."

A former member of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania School Press Association, Miss Holcombe was a judge for some years for the P.S.P.A. school newspaper competition.

"Incidentally," she added, "I refused to judge my own paper."

At the present time, Miss Holcombe is editor of THE KEYSTONIAN, the publication of the combined Pennsylvania chapters of Delta Kappa Gamma. This is the honor society of women teachers in the United States and Canada. There are about 1800 members of the society in Pennsylvania, including several on the Mansfield faculty.

Miss Holcombe holds B.S. and M.A. degrees from Columbia University. Her cousin, Miss Pauline Holcombe, is a teacher in the Campus Junior High School.

To indicate the devotion of the students who worked on The Oriole, Miss Holcombe told how, about 1946, she broke her ankle and was unable to help with the paper. The staff went right ahead and published a good issue.

"The way the boys carried on was quite remarkable," she commented.

Miss Holcombe taught English at Towanda for about 30 years before coming to Mansfield in September, 1955, to join the English Department here. Although her active teaching at Towanda was mostly of college entrance courses for the eleventh and twelfth grades, her position as head of the English Department extended to both the junior and senior high divisions of the joint school.

"I have always loved English teaching," she remarked.

At the college, Miss Holcombe is

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# NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

(with apologies to the author)

Twas the night before Christmas when all through M.S.T.C.

Not a creature was stirring, not even a flea;

The kneesocks were hung in the Hut with care,

In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

Mr. Beyer was snuggled all snug in his jeans,

While visions of bacteria danced in his bean;

And Miss Jackson in her kerchief and Miss Billings in her cap,

Had just settled down in their apartment to nap,

When out on front campus there arose such a clatter

Miss Billings shot from her bed to see if the girls were making all the patter.

Away to the dormer she flew like a flash,

Tore open the shutter, threw up the sash.

The moon on the crest of the new fallen snow,

Gave a luster of midday to her Dodge below;

When what to her suspicious eyes should appear,

But a little red Jaguar designed by Jean Keir,

With a little old driver so lively and strong,

She knew in a minute it must be Dean Long.

More rapid than the Mountaineers his coursers they came,

And he yelled and shouted and called them by name:

Now Noll, now White, now Lord and Hanson,

On Neff, on Downey, on Leslie and Thompson!

To the top of the arcade to the top of North Hall!

Now, dash away, dash away, dash away, all!

As wet leaves before the Edinboro game fly,

When they meet with an obstacle mount to the sky,

So up to the dorm top the coursers they flew

With a car full of fellas and Dean Long, too.

And then in a twinkling Miss Billings heard on the roof

The pawing and jitterbugging of each little hoof.

As she drew in her nightcap and was turning around,

Down the chimney Dean Long came with a bound.

He was dressed in Bermudas and kneesocks too,

All in red like the devil, but he looked real cool;

A bundle of joys he had flung on his back,

And he looked like Janie Ramson just opening her sack.

His eyes how they bubbled, his dimples how wary!

His cheeks were like apples, his nose like a maraschino cherry;

His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,

And the five o'clock shadow on his chin was as white as snow.

The stump of a Lucky he held tight in his teeth

And the smoke encircled his head in a smog like wreath;

He wore glasses and had a round little belly

That shook when he laughed like raspberry jelly.

He was too fat to jump, a right jolly odd elf;

And Miss Billings laughed when she saw him in spite of herself.

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,

Soon gave her to know there was nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his homework,

And filled all the kneesocks, then turned with a smirk,

And holding his nose he quietly sneezed,

And giving a nod up the chimney he breezed.

He sprang to the Jaguar and settled his bustle,

And away he went at a yank of the muscle;

But she heard him exclaim as his nails he did bite,

A tremendjus Christmas to all, and get in at 10 each night!



# SIRACUSE NAMED TO ALL-STATE FIRST TEAM

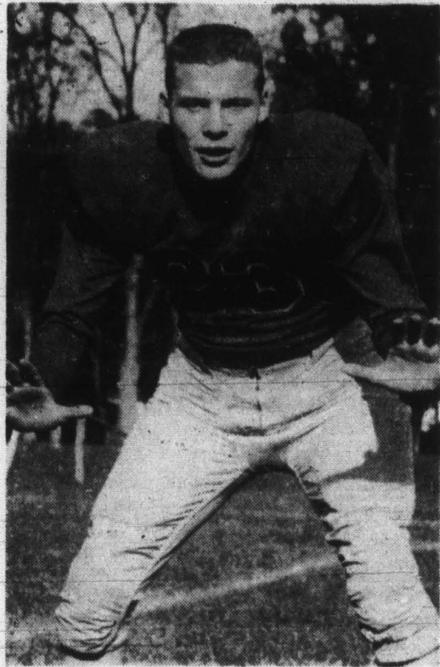
## PROUDLY WE CHEER

The sports staff of the FLASHLIGHT, in selecting candidates for Athlete of the Month, has as its primary qualification, outstanding athletic performance during that particular month.

PROUDLY WE CHEER will recognize those athletes who were in highest contention for each month's award.

### BILL DEWEY

The guy who came in second to the Athlete of the Month every month since it was inaugurated rates a special salute this month. Each

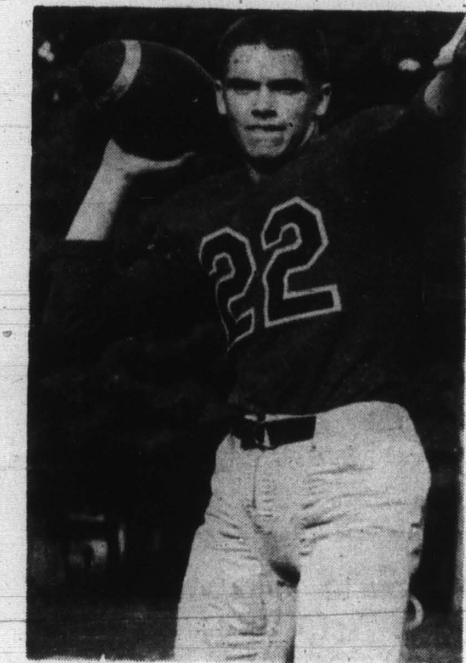
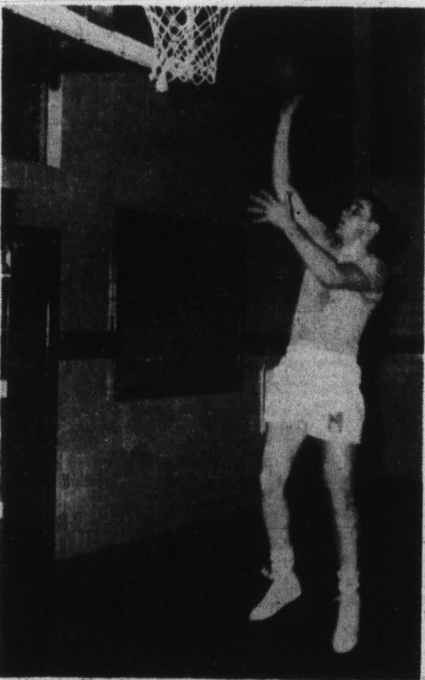


month his tremendous play was overshadowed by another ball player but no one has ever underestimated his value to our football squad. By far the best all-around end on the squad, Bill was so much a fixture that everyone took him for granted. There is no requirement of an end which Bill could not do. He was far and away the best offensive end on the squad—he caught more passes than all of the other ends put together and he made the most beautiful downfield blocks of anyone on the squad. In fact, in some games, he appeared to be the only guy on the squad who knew how to block. He was equally adept at getting down under punts, making a good percentage of this type of tackles. Defensively, he was the other of the only two ends we had who wasn't on his can when a play came around his end. If he didn't make the tackle, he at least got two blockers out of the way so someone else could get a shot at the ball carrier.

Any way you look at it, Bill was one of the few assets to the club this year. His absence will really be felt next year—players of his calibre are rarities at Mansfield. We should all say nice going on a job well done.

### LARRY BIDDLE

Sometimes there are football players on a squad who appear to be just average—nothing spectacular—good, but not outstanding. Then, one day, one of these guys suddenly breaks loose and you find you've got another ball player. Such is the case with Larry Biddle. Last season and the first part of this season he did an average job to which no one paid too much attention. Then one Saturday afternoon he got away on an 80 yard touchdown gallop which made some people sit up and take notice. Not our fastest back, by any means, he nevertheless is a good runner. Quick to seize an opening, he plays "head" football and throws the book away when it seems inadequate. Defensively, there was not a better man in our secondary this year. He broke up a good share of opposing pass plays and even intercepted a few. A good, hard tackler he sometimes was the last defender of our goal line—and he was successful in this defense.



Only a sophomore this year, Larry Biddle figures prominently in the football future of Mansfield.

### JOE WITOWSKI

The first of the cagers to be honored here is not a stranger to this column. Joe was here last month in football pads as an outstanding member of the grid squad. But his biggest potential lies in the game he loves most—basketball. To say that he was the best would not be an understatement. Last year, Joe led the squad in rebounds and was third in the scoring derby. According to his performance in the Lycoming and Lock Haven games he appears well on his way to duplicating his rebounding feats and perhaps even capturing the scoring crown this year. There is little that Joe cannot do on a basketball court. He is quick, smart, and accurate. A good passer, a hard driver, and a terrific rebounder, his value is limitless. And, though the season is still young and the squad still a little green, the byword for the season will be "watch him."

## MOUNTAINEERS DEFEAT LOCK HAVEN TEACHERS AND LYCOMING COLLEGE IN CAGE SEASON OPENS HERE

The Mansfield Teachers opened their 1956-57 basketball season with a reounding 63-53 victory over Lycoming College. This was Mansfield's first victory over Lycoming in five years and represents the first opening game victory in seven years.

Joe Linkoski's 30 points led the Mansfield Teachers to a thrilling 0-79 victory over Lock Haven STC last night in the college gymnasium. The lead changed hands five different times in the last three minutes of play as the two teams battled tooth and nail up to the final seconds.

Probably the deciding factor in the game was Mike Gamble's accuracy from the foul line. Mike made three of four foul tries in the last thirty seconds --- his first two gave Mansfield an edge which they never re-

linquished.

But the story of the game was big Joe Linkoski as he consistently hit from the field and the foul line. His total of ten field goals and ten fouls was high for the night. "Link" also led in rebounds with fifteen.

Gary Enderle played the outstanding game of his college career, racking up twelve points and gathering in ten rebounds. His ability to handle the ball also aided greatly the Mansfield attack. Joe Witowski also contributed twelve points to the victor's total but both Joe and Gary ran third to Gamble who had fourteen.

Mansfield's slate is thus unsoiled as the team leaves for Christmas vacation. This second victory in as many starts was the Mount's first conference win and the resulting outlook for the season is therefore brightened.

## Sportscript

By Bob Keenan

Before taking another view of Mansfield's varsity sports picture, there are a few items worth mentioning in other directions.

First there is the selection of Vince Siracuse to the All-Conference first team. Vince certainly deserved the award, an award which is a credit to himself and to his school.

In every game he played, Vince gave it everything he had. He ran most of the time on sheer courage and determination. When he was going to be hit, he put on an extra burst of speed sometimes running over the would-be tackler and other times getting an extra two or three yards. When Vince hit somebody, the guy really knew he was hit. Good football players hit and hit hard.

Vince was selected by a board consisting of all the coaches in the S.T.C. Conference. He was selected from a group of 154 first string ball players. He was judged the best of the 14 first string fullbacks participating in conference play. He was not given the award --- he earned it.

### FIELD HOCKEY

Another item which has begun to stir some interest around the campus is the serious talk of beginning a women's field hockey team. The girls on this campus have long been relegated to a minor role in the sports activities here at school. It's about time they take a more active part.

Field hockey is one of the most interesting of women's sports and it is very popular in this area. East Stroudsburg and Lock Haven have had strong teams the past two years. Even the high schools around here have good teams. We certainly should have plenty of talent --- some of our girls come from high schools where field hockey is a major sport. Rebecca Smith is a good example. She was outstanding at Doylestown High School and is leading the main interest group here at Mansfield.

While this program is still very immature, mostly in the talking stage, it nevertheless represents a more active interest in campus activity. Certainly it would be a great step forward if such a program were initiated.

### VARSITY BASKETBALL

Not very many people outside the Mansfield area have ever heard of Mansfield State Teachers College. We don't make too many headlines. The situation is not uncommon --- there are many small colleges of which not too many people know. Popularity, of course, does not raise the standards of a school but it does attract more and better students.

There are several ways of making more people aware that our school exists. One of the major methods is through the medium of sports. When the sports limelight focuses upon any institution, that institution glitters for all to see. Mansfield cannot be expected to produce a national championship team in ANY sport. But we could have winning teams and we could be the class of our level of competition.

Not too many years ago, Lebanon Valley College had a bunch of losers. Lebanon Valley, by the way, is a liberal arts college about the size

of Mansfield. They decided to remedy their athletic situation—at least the basketball part of it. So they got a new, young coach, a couple or three good ball players from the Philadelphia area, and came up with a good ball club.

In 1953 they beat everybody on their schedule --- teams like Gettysburg, F and M, and even Temple. As a result, they were invited to the NCAA post season playoffs. In the first round they beat a good Fordham club and in Millersville State Teachers College is another example. For the past few years, they have been the class of the small colleges in the southern part of the state. They take on all comers, playing schools like Elizabethtown and Drexel --- this year La Salle College is on their schedule. Last year Millersville was invited to the small college playoffs of the NAIA which has its finals each year in Kansas City.

These are just two examples of where one good basketball team has resulted in good teams year after year. A good ball player wants to play for a winner. He is not interested in playing for a loser. Give a good high school player a choice and he'll pick a school with a winning club 90% of the time. If Millersville and others can get good players, I personally see no reason why we shouldn't.

Adolph Rupp, the great coach of Kentucky has said that if he had two top calibre ball players he could lick any college team in the country. Bob Davies, head coach at Gettysburg, has said the same thing. Davies also believes that two or three men who can work together are a ball club in themselves.

It all adds up to the fact that if we had a couple of top calibre ball players, we could burn up our schedule. We don't play any really tough ball clubs. We took a great step in the right direction this year by adding as fine a coach as there is in a small college in the state.



Vince Siracuse

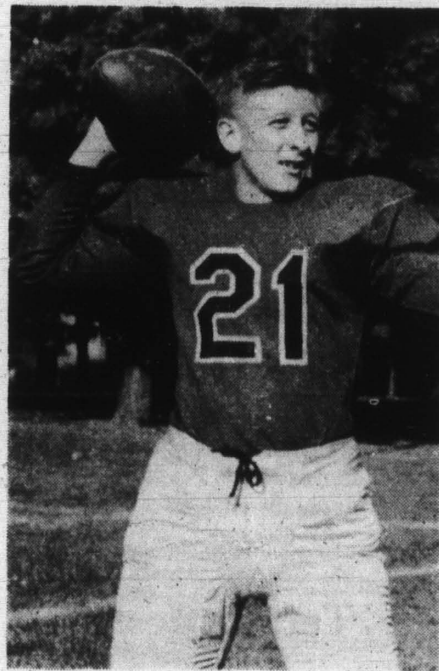
## Coaches Select All Star Squad

The most valuable player on the Mansfield State Teachers College football roster has been awarded the highest honor his conference could bestow upon him. Vince Siracuse has been named to the first team fullback position on the All-State Teachers College football team. Vince, a native of Swoyersville, Pa., has been Mansfield's outstanding gridder in the three years he has been here and has culminated his career this year with an incomparable performance.

As Mansfield's most consistent ground gainer, Vince's total offensive accounted for nearly one thousand yards over the course of the season. Rushing from scrimmage, he carried the ball 79 times for a total of 405 yards --- an average of 5.2 yards per carry.

Via the aerial route, the Mountaineer triple threat passed 13 times, continued on Page 6

## Cloyd Price Final Gridder Selected As Flashlight's Athlete Of Month



Cloyd Price

The little guy finally made it. After three attempts and some very fine football playing, Cloyd Price has been named as the Athlete of the Month for the month of November. Bucky, the boy from Duncannon, Pa., is only 5 feet 9 inches and weighs only 150 pounds but what he lacks in weight he makes up in hustle and aggressiveness.

While the final curtain was being rung down on his football career at Lock Haven a few weeks ago, he shone as he had no other time in his brilliant career here at Mansfield. By far the scrappiest little scatback on the squad, Bucky showed his versatility with a good passing attack and some smart signal calling.

By far the quarter-back with the most savvy, he ran the club as well as possible with the material available. A very adept ball handler and a good throwing arm were assets to Bucky all season. But he really showed his stuff when he carried the ball --- with a block or two, he might have shaken loose many times during the course of the season.

His best effort this year came against Millersville when he carried the ball 13 times for 56 yards or 4.3 yards per carry. Included was a 26 yard jaunt, as fine a display of open field running as was seen on Smythe Field this year. He threw seven passes in this game and completed four of them for 121 yards. He directed the club through the entire game and reaped outstanding success in Mansfield's 26-0 victory.

In the Lock Haven affair, Cloyd saw only limited action. But while he was in there the little guy showed plenty of guts in running against as good a club as Mansfield had seen all season. In five carries, Bucky picked up 32 yards --- an average of 6.4 yards per carry. He also completed one aerial in the course of the afternoon, that one good for a 34 yard advance.

So, after four tough years, Cloyd leaves Mansfield's gridiron picture. His hustle and determination gained him honors in high school and here again in college. As fine a gentleman as he is an athlete, Bucky's future looks as bright as his past.

## CO-ED CORNER

BY JOANETTE ALBEE

A tired, worn-out, but extremely happy goodbye to you. Vacation time finally found its way to Mansfield and we're off to rest up from these last three weeks. Or do we rest up? Oh well --- it's nicer being tired out from a party the night before, than being tired from studying for a psyche test.

The volley-ball playoffs this year have been packed full of exciting and nerve racking games. The results --- Neff and Simonds are co-champs and Clark - Sharpless are runner-up. Neff lost to Clark-Sharpless early in the play-offs, but came back to beat them 32-30. Then, in turn, Neff beat Simonds 24-16. This was Simonds' first loss. The next game was for the championship and both teams tied, 19-19, being declared co-champs instead of playing off the tie.

The bowling leagues have begun, headed by Carolyn Downer. Tuesday night's manager is Nancy Stephany. The leagues extend into February. Basketball starts after the

Christmas vacation.

The Welfare gifts given to the Tioga children were many. Mrs. Morgan headed this project.

The W.A.A.'s Christmas party program was a splendid success. Celie Sullivan, Mary Ellen Walters, and Ann Taylor each gave a monologue. The Blue Notes, and Eleanor Yarrison had special numbers to entertain the club. Santa Claus added to the glee, and it is always the most fun to guess who is behind the bearded mask. Sandy Corey was general chairman and Bernie Franco was refreshment chairman.

Merry Christmas, gals.

### CHEERLEADERS

Attention: Get a look at those new shoes! New shoes, new uniforms—let's get ahold of some new school spirit! The basketball team looks promising, so let's get behind the fellows and really support them.

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## Mansfield Citizen

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him most was how he was going to fish with an artificial leg.

Black Cancer had gotten too much of a hold on him, however, and in July Jack knew that he was going to die. In spite of this he kept his shop open—sometimes only a few hours a day—until on September 22, he served his last customer.

He never faltered during the last few months. His physician said of him, "Jack Austin was the most courageous man I have ever known." Jack was laid to rest on Sunday, November 4. No one could ever call Jack a perfect man, but the courage he presented overshadowed his faults.

Before he died he decided to sell some of his fishing and hunting equipment. In the window of his shop on Wellsboro Street in Mansfield is a pair of boots placed there by Jack himself. An attached sign says,

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## Siracuse Named

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pleted 5 of them for a total of 120 yards. On the other end of the passing attack, Vince caught and ran seven aeriels for a total of 98 yards --- an average of 14 yards per try.

His most effective offensive running resulted in the returning of kickoffs and punts. Big Vince returned 8 punts, a total of 122 yards averaging 15.3 yards per try. He caught 11 kickoffs, ran them back an average of 20.3 yards for a total of 223 yards.

In the process of this great offensive show, the big 180 pound fullback scored six touchdowns and four extra points which led the Mountaineer scoring with 40 points. And, between scoring plunges, he found time to do a little punting --- he booted 13 times

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On the campus, Vince is a quite, unassuming, good natured guy who makes friends fast and is well liked by everyone. He is a Science and English major, and is an above average student in these fields. He is active in other campus affairs --- president of last year's Sophomore class, an active member of the M Club and the Newman Club, and a member of the varsity basketball and baseball teams.

## The All-State Football Squad

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